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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
COMMISSIONERS
OF THE
COUNTY OF BELKNAP

**FOR THE YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31, 1979**

In Memoriam

REVEREND CHARLES DURGIN

1909-1979

Chaplain at the County Home and Jail

"For almost 50 years Charles Durgin served churches in northern New England as a minister of the Gospel. He had come back to Laconia about five years ago to retire at the Hoyt family homestead, a beautiful old-fashion white mansion on Court Street. The only thing wrong with that idea was that Charlie Durgin could never retire. At the time of his passing, at the age of 70, he was pastor of the Meredith Center Baptist Church, chaplain of the Belknap County Nursing Home, and chaplain of the jail and house of correction."

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1979 County Officers

COMMISSIONERS

Bradbury E. Sprague, Chairman, Meredith
Edwin I. Chertok, Vice Chairman, Laconia
Norman C. Marsh, Clerk, Belmont

COUNTY ATTORNEY

Phillip McLaughlin, Laconia

COUNTY TREASURER

H. Max Wakeman, Laconia

SHERIFF

Donald C. Alden, Alton

CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT

Robert P. Tilton, Laconia

JUDGE OF PROBATE

Roger G. Burlingame, Sanbornton

REGISTER OF PROBATE

Dorothea R. Conly, Laconia

DEPUTY REGISTER OF PROBATE

Estelle J. Bouchard, Laconia

REGISTER OF DEEDS

Everett D. Wheeler, Laconia

DEPUTY REGISTER OF DEEDS

Lora M. Dunleavy, Laconia

ADMINISTRATOR OF THE COUNTY HOME

Richard D. Hanel, Laconia

SUPERINTENDENT OF THE JAIL AND HOUSE OF CORRECTION

Thomas N. Myatt, Alton

COUNTY MEDICAL REFEREE

Norman G.B. McLetchie, M.D., Gilford

COUNTY FINANCIAL COORDINATOR

Gerald MacKissock, Laconia

SECRETARY TO COMMISSIONERS AND WELFARE COORDINATOR

Judith A. Stanley, Laconia

SUPERINTENDENT OF BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Peter Vangjel, Laconia

COUNTY CHAPLAINS

Rev. Charles Durgin, Laconia

Father Daniel Deveau, Laconia

1979 Belknap County Convention

(Legislative Delegation)

District No. 1 — CENTER HARBOR, MEREDITH, NEW HAMPTON

Marshall French
Robert Lawton
Keith Matheson

District No. 2 — BELMONT, GILFORD

Wilson Mansfield
Esther Nighswander
Clifford Birch

District No. 3 — SANBORNTON, TILTON

Barbara Bowler
Kenneth Randall

District No. 4 — ALTON, BARNSTEAD, GILMANTON

George B. Roberts, Jr.
Jane F. Sanders

District No. 5 — LACONIA, WARDS 1, 3 & 6

Charles W. Beard
Michael Hanson
Ralph Morin (deceased)
Charles Smith (by special election)
James Murray (resigned)
Charles Downs (by special election)

District No. 6 — LACONIA, WARDS 2, 4 & 5

Gary S. Dionne
Peter Hildreth
Paul Bordeau
Fritz Sabbow

THE 1979 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Kenneth Randall, Chairman
Michael Hanson, Vice Chairman
Clifford Birch, Clerk
George Roberts, Jr.
Marshall French
Wilson Mansfield
Charles Beard
Fritz Sabbow
Gary Dionne
Jane Sanders

BELKNAP COUNTY DELEGATION
Belknap County Convention
Belknap County Courthouse - Laconia, N.H.
January 15, 1979 - 7:45 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 P.M. by the chairman.

Present were: Representatives Beard, Birch, Bordeau, Bowler, Dionne, French, Hanson, Hildreth, Mansfield, Matheson, Morin, Nighswander, Randall, Roberts and Sabbow.

Also present: County Commissioners Chertok, Marsh and Sprague.

Chairman Hanson called on Commissioner Sprague to present the county side of the county request for \$52,000.00 in Revenue Sharing Funds. Commissioner Sprague spoke in opposition to the request. Chairman Hanson then called upon Commissioner Chertok who also spoke in opposition to the request. Chairman Hanson then called upon Commissioner Marsh who also spoke against the request.

Representative Randall questioned Commissioner Sprague on the balance in the Revenue Sharing Fund, the type of bookkeeping machine used, and requested that if the computer request did not pass, that it be referred to a study committee.

Discussion followed between Rep. Roberts and Chairman Hanson as to the validity and legality of this hearing. It was brought out that the hearing was legally called for in the interim between the expiration of the term of the old board and the inauguration of the new board.

Rep. Bowler commented that she believed a previous hearing had considered this request but not the Winnisquam Fire Dept. request.

Chairman Hanson explained that the prior board of Commissioners had put an agenda together at the request of the delegation but that the fire department was a new addition to the new agenda.

Commissioner Sprague commented that the Commissioners had a hearing a week ago on the fire department request.

Rep. Roberts commented that it was a peculiar situation to have three Commissioners appear in opposition to a request submitted by the prior board of Commissioners.

Chairman Hanson then called upon Dave Huot, Secretary-Treasurer of the Lakes Region Mutual Aid System, who spoke in favor of the computer.

Rep. Nighswander asked Mr. Huot whether the county reimbursed the fire dispatch center for the county use of the computer for county payroll and the answer was no.

Chairman Hanson then called upon John Russa, a computer consultant, to describe the system for the delegation.

Representative Dionne pointed out to Mr. Russa that the registry of deeds appropriation he referred to was for microfilming, not for computer equipment.

Representative Sabbow asked how many people would be needed to operate the new equipment and Mr. Russa replied that it would not require any more people.

Rep. Sabbow asked if wires or lines would be needed to tie in Gilford and Belmont and Mr. Russa replied that the various towns would bring their own material to the computer center and process it themselves.

Rep. Roberts stated that it was his impression that Mr. MacKissock was to get additional training to expand and operate the system to handle more than payroll and asked if this was still a valid question. Commissioner Sprague replied in the affirmative. Rep. Roberts questioned whether funding had been authorized for the additional training but Chairman Hanson replied in a negative. Rep. Roberts then said he understood that the Commission had to hire an additional bookkeeper with Commissioner Sprague replying in the affirmative. Rep. Roberts then stated he understood that the only way for Mr. MacKissock to keep up to date on the computer would be to further automate the program. Speaker Roberts felt that automating additional program would be preferable to hiring additional people for a manual system. Speaker Roberts questioned the hours required to load and retrieve the payroll and Mr. Russa replied that it took a half of a day for each function. Rep. Roberts then asked what other applications Mr. MacKissock had considered. Mr. Russa stated that probably the most important applications was then budget preparation and retrieval of information. Rep. Roberts then asked what the estimated cost would be for the budget preparation and peripheral programs. Mr. Russa replied \$15,000. to \$20,000. Speaker Roberts then asked what the annual maintenance cost estimate would be. Mr. Russa said that will be hard to tell. Chairman Hanson asked there if there were any further questions. Rep. Roberts asked

how much the county had authorized for the additional systems and Chairman Hanson replied that he had authorized \$15.00 per hour for 100 hours. Mr. Russa then presented his closing comments. Rep. Nighswander questioned whether additional typists, programmers, would be needed. Mr. Russa replied that no additional people would be required at the present. Rep. Roberts asked if Mr. MacKissock was going to school for further training. Mr. Russa replied that Mr. MacKissock would develop the capability. Rep. Roberts then said that no one was talking additional people. Mr. Russa replied in the negative. Rep. Randall asked if Mr. MacKissock was successful in his training, would he be able to maintain the systems and Mr. Russa replied in the affirmative. Chairman Hanson then stated that the delegation had not received the recommendation of the Commissioners and was the amount in question \$52,000. Mr. Russa answered that the amount was \$52,000. for all three proposals. Mr. Russa then gave additional information on the three proposals received. Chairman Hanson then asked which of the three proposals Mr. Russa was recommending. Mr. Russa replied that he was recommending proposal A or proposal B and explained why.

Chairman Hanson then requested whether anybody else wished to speak on the subject. Mr. Jerry Hambrook, Chief of the Sandwich Fire Department and the Director of the Mutual Aid System, then spoke in favor of the computer. Chairman Hanson then called for questions. There being no questions he asked if anybody else would like to testify. Commissioner Chertok then commented that the delegation had information available to them that the Commissioners didn't. Chairman Hanson replied that the information was contained in an October 31, 1978 letter and he repeated the figures that Mr. Russa had previously given. Commissioner Sprague commented that he was concerned about having \$300,000. invested for three years and the system not complete yet. Speaker Roberts asked if this was a public hearing where anybody could testify and Chairman Hanson responded in the affirmative.

Chairman Hanson then moved to the consideration of the appropriation of \$10,000. for the Winnisquam Rescue vehicle and system. He first called on Mr. Alan Beane to speak on the subject. Rep. Randall asked if Winnisquam was providing backup service to Laconia, and Mr. Beane replied yes. Mr. Randall asked if the financing problems of Winnisquam was due to not having a tax base because of being a privately incorporated service and the reply was yes. Speaker Roberts asked if Winnisquam was in compliance with the Revenue Sharing guidelines and Mr. Beane replied that he was not aware they were not in compliance. Speaker Roberts asked if communities could appropriate Revenue Sharing funds and Mr. Beane replied that he was

requesting funds from four towns. Chairman Hanson then asked if anybody else wished to testify and Mr. Dave Huot replied that he would like to say a few words in favor. Rep. Roberts stated that at one time the highway safety commissioner had a program of matching funds for such projects, and Mr. Huot replied that Winnisquam had had application on file for such funds as they were available. Speaker Roberts again questioned that there was a grant request pending and Mr. Huot replied in the affirmative, \$7,500. Rep. Birch asked if a solution would not be to have the Winnisquam department become a part of the Belmont department. Mr. Ted Katz then spoke in favor of the appropriation. Chairman Hanson then asked if anybody else would like to testify and Dick Fletcher, engineer for the Winnisquam Fire Dept. spoke in favor. Rep. Matheson questioned whether the town of Belmont contributed to the Winnisquam Fire Dept. and the reply was yes, they were supplying about one-third of the funding. It has also provided a capital reserve fund of \$5,000. towards the replacement of equipment. Chairman Hanson then asked for further questions and Barbara Kelly and Janet Trumble of the Lochmere Women's Club wished to go on record as being in favor of the appropriation. Commissioner Marsh spoke in opposition to the appropriation. Rep. Roberts then reiterated his question about partial funding by the highway safety commission, was it \$7,500. and the reply was that it was \$7,500. or half of the total sum, whichever was less. There being no further questions, Chairman Hanson closed the public hearing at 9:15 P.M. and recessed for a few minutes.

Chairman Hanson opened the delegation meeting at 9:25 P.M. for open discussion on the computer. Rep. Nighswander commented that she had been told to go slow in the acquisition of another computer, possible buying time on existing computers such as those run by banks, etc. There being no further comments, Chairman Hanson called for a motion. Rep. Roberts moved that the delegation authorize the Commissioners and the mutual aid group to purchase equipment up to \$50,000. after the proposals have been submitted by vendors listed and other interested parties and after the Fire Dispatch Committee of the delegation has further investigated the computer and made its recommendation. Rep. Hildreth seconded the motion. Rep. Roberts then spoke to the motion. Rep. Nighswander stated that she understood that the present computer equipment was to be sold and replaced by new equipment. Chairman Hanson questioned Mr. Russa about that and Mr. Russa said that it was like trading in a car whereby you trade the old one for a new one.

Rep. Nighswander said she understood the county was going to sell it rather than trade it. Rep. Roberts explained the procedure. Rep. Nighswander stated that she thought the delegation should pursue all

possibilities before spending any more money. Speaker Roberts discussed the bid process and probable results to be expected. Rep. Bowler questioned Speaker Roberts' statement that we would not pay more than two-thirds of this cost. Speaker Roberts replied that the county pays two-thirds of the fire dispatch budget with the balance coming from other towns and entities. Rep. Bowler remarked that they come through the budget but that does not necessarily mean that we approve the budget. Rep. Nighswander remarked that the computer was to eventually include data processing for all the towns within the county and that she did not want to be placed in a position of finding out three months after purchasing the equipment that it did not handle the load. At this point Chairman Hanson clarified the Roberts' motion. Rep. Nighswander questioned whether we were blowing money with this motion. Speaker Roberts replied in the affirmative, that the money would be available following a favorable report of the sub-committee to the delegation and acceptance of the report by the delegation. Rep. Beard stated that he wanted to hear Mr. MacKissock's recommendation. He asked Mr. MacKissock to describe the additional use that the equipment would be put to. Mr. MacKissock reported that right now, we have the payroll on, and that further applications would be cash receipts, accounts payable, disbursements, inventories, a complete general ledger, county budget, programs to assist calculation of the budget, and eventually all county records. The system would permit instant retrieval of all information. Rep. Dionne spoke in opposition to the motion for two reasons. 1) He felt that the delegation tended to jump into a situation before fully examining the capabilities of the system and all the ramifications of it, and 2) he objected to the scheduling of the motion, wanting to have the delegation decide first and having a larger, broader sub-committee than just the Fire Dispatch committee to study the problem. Rep. Roberts asked Rep. Dionne if he realized that that was the function of the fiscal committee. He stated he will be willing to amend his motion to authorize the aprotion to allow the parties to start talking seriously as if there is no money voted, nobody takes the project seriously. Rep. Dionne stated that if \$50,000. was all there was involved fine, but if further study is going to indicate a larger sum of money, then the initial appropriation and work has been wasted. Rep. Randall stated that it would take the Fire Dispatch Committee until June anyway to complete a study on the project. Rep. Randall said the first caution to take is to look around and find out how many possibilities there are for using the computer, then you buy the basic main frame now, and add additional functions later on as the need arises. Rep. Roberts stated that a lot depended upon what vendor you go with and what functions he offers. Rep. Randall defined the problem as excessive cost of maintenance to the Quantrel system, and a suggestion was to change, to get a compatible main frame that will accept the additional programs. Rep. Sabbow requested

clarification of the problem, asking if the capability of the Quantrel system had been used to the limit. Rep. Randall said that it could be expanded and made large enough, but the maintenance cost was the main problem being three to four times more than quoted by A and B proposals. Rep. French asked Rep. Randall whether or not the maintenance cost was the prime reason for changing equipment, and the reply was that Quantrel was a California firm whereas the other two were Massachusetts firms.

Rep. Bowler asked if anyone knew how many counties were presently using computers. Rep. Roberts said that Rockingham County had appropriated money to begin computer operation and that several others had plans on the way. Rep. Bowler then remarked that the real pressure point in this program was the desire to sell the Fire Dispatch system to others and collect the royalties. Rep. French remarked that that was part of it although the main effort was to bring the county bookkeeping work up to date. Rep. Nighswander wondered whether it would be possible to buy the system or the main frame now and expand it in the future as needed. Rep. Randall replied that yes, you wouldn't buy without that provision. Rep. Sabbow questioned that the present computer was a Quantrel with no east coast office so that parts and repair people had to be flown in from California and wanted to know what the new proposals would cost for maintenance. Rep. Randall stated that maintenance costs for the Quantrel system was about \$15,000. per year versus \$12,000. for one alternate system and \$7,000. to \$8,000. for the other alternate system. Chairman Hanson requested Mr. Russa to confirm the figure that Mr. Russa stated that the present contract with Quantrel was for \$15,000. per year but that the new contract would be for \$6,000. per year because of the competition that had developed. Chairman Hanson asked Mr. Russa that if the delegation went with plan A or plan B, what would be the maintenance cost. Mr. Russa replied that plan A would be \$64,560. for five years but he did not state what plan B would amount to. Rep. Sabbow remarked that we appeared to be doubling our expenses. Rep. Morin stated that he thought he had heard previously that Gilford and Belmont would avail themselves of the computer when it was available. Chairman Hanson said that that was not necessarily so. Rep. Hanson then asked if the proposal as it existed was carried, would the computer be able to handle all the towns and functions to be added to it. Chairman Hanson asked Mr. Russa if the computer would and he stated yes it would. Chairman Hanson then asked if the main frame would be complete as such requiring no additional equipment. Mr. Russa replied in the affirmative. Rep. Randall suggested amending Rep. Roberts motion so that the money would be shown to be there, and that the delegation would be allowed to give final approval. Chairman Hanson asked Rep. Randall if he was offering that as a motion at this time. Rep. Randall stated that he would rather throw it out as a

suggestion and have somebody else not on the Fire Dispatch Committee make the motion. Rep. Sabbow wanted to know the cost of the additional software to handle all the different towns and functions. Chairman Hanson said that he had no idea what the additional software cost would be and whether it would even be a county cost. Rep. Roberts stated that timing was very critical at this point and would like to have a recommendation for either an earlier or a later date in order not to miss the opportunity presently available. Rep. Morin noted that Quantel was reducing its maintenance contract cost from \$14,000. to \$6,000. per year on the possibility of selling an additional system and wondered if Wang and Digital might do the same thing. Chairman Hanson responded that they would certainly have the committee look into it. Rep. Hildreth moved to amend the Roberts motion to have the committee consist of three members of the courthouse committee and three members of the Fire Dispatch committee appointed by the respective committee chairmen and that they report back to the delegation by February 15th for the vote to authorize the expenditure. Chairman Hanson noted that intent of the amendment was to have the final vote be taken by the whole delegation. Rep. Nighswander noted that the amendment was not authorizing the appropriation until the very end whereas the original motion authorized the appropriation immediately. Rep. Roberts then withdrew his motion and Rep. Hildreth withdrew his amendment. Rep. Hildreth then withdrew his second to the Roberts motion. Chairman Hanson then stated that the issue was before the delegation and he would await a motion. Rep. Randall recommended scraping the June 1st date and picking a date 90 days from February 1st for completion of the study and recommendation. Rep. Roberts noted that extending the time would lessen the delegation's bargaining position. Rep. Randall asked Mr. Russa for the maximum time. Mr. Russa said that with everybody working together he should be able to achieve their goal in thirty days. Rep. Dionne stated he felt that regardless of the bargaining position, the whole system should be examined in complete detail before proceeding with anything. Rep. Bowler asked Mr. Russa if the major problem was maintenance with the Quantel system and where they had cut their maintenance proposal in half, why not stick with Quantel. Mr. Russa responded that Quantel had been intimidating the Fire Dispatch Center by adding a 70 percent maintenance surcharge as Lakes Region Dispatch Center was 70 miles from Lowell, Mass. Rep. Bowler asked if they had done away with that now and Mr. Russa replied yes because of the competitive situation. Chairman Hanson again called for a motion. Rep. Hildreth then moved that the question of Revenue Sharing expenditure for the computer be referred to a five member committee appointed by the chairman and that they report back to the delegation for a vote by March 15th. Rep. Randall seconded the motion. Rep. Matheson moved that the debate be limited. The vote carried unanimously.

Rep. Hanson then called for a vote on Rep. Hildreth's motion and it carried unanimously. The chair appointed Rep. Randall as chairman, Rep. French as vice chairman, Rep. Roberts, Rep. Hildreth and Rep. Morin and requested the committee to report back eight days prior to March 15th. Chairman Hanson then moved on to the second item on the agenda, and asked for a motion to open the subject to discussion. Rep. Randall moved that the county be authorized to expend the sum of \$10,000. to the Winnisquam Fire Department for the purpose of purchasing a rescue vehicle. The motion was seconded by Rep. Morin. Rep. Bowler spoke in favor of the motion. Rep. Beard spoke in favor of the motion. Rep. Matheson asked if the motion was contingent on other towns, the reply being no. Rep. French stated that he was opposed to solicitation from both town and county on an item such as this. He stated further that he did not believe that you could solicit from a town and at the same time taxes for the same thing. Rep. Roberts spoke in opposition to the motion, pointing out that other towns would be looking for the same thing from the county.

Rep. Dionne spoke in favor of the motion, comparing the Winnisquam Fire Department situation with the Fire Dispatch situation where they were both quasi-public institutions, crossing town and county lines in their service to the public. Rep. Morin spoke in favor of the motion. Rep. Bowler spoke in favor of the motion, pointing out that it was not a question of county budget but was of Revenue Sharing. Rep. French reiterated his opposition to the county funding the rescue vehicle. Rep. Hildreth moved the previous question. Chairman Hanson called for a vote on the motion that debate be limited and the motion carried unanimously. Rep. Hanson then called for a vote on the motion as offered by Rep. Randall. Rep. French requested a role call vote. The vote was ten in favor, four opposed, the chairman stated that the motion carried. Chairman Hanson then asked for any further business. Chairman Hanson then called on Commissioner Marsh to report on the county home problem. Commissioner Marsh reported that the Commissioner would like to hire an engineering firm to examine the problem, make recommendations, and report to them the solution to the problem. Commissioner Marsh stated that the Commissioners would like to have \$22,000. transferred from the capital reserve fund of which \$1,500. would be for the engineering survey. Rep. Beard spoke in favor of the request. Rep. Sabbow asked Commissioner Marsh whether the fire marshall had examined the problem. Commissioner Marsh replied that he had been up there to look at it. Rep. Morin asked how long this condition had existed. Commissioner Marsh replied a long time, but it was always on the bottom of the list of things to be done. Rep. Morin asked where the flaw had been built into the chimney initially. Commissioner Marsh stated that they didn't know, but it was possible that the material was inadequate to withstand the

heat. Rep. Morin asked whether two additional boilers had ever been contemplated. Commissioner Marsh replied in the negative. Rep. Nighswander asked if the study would take into consideration possible additions to the home in the future. Commissioner Marsh said yes the engineering study would consider several options. Commissioner Chertok wanted to know when the Commissioners could meet with the delegation to discuss the whole situation at the county home. Chairman Hanson suggested we should sit down in the near future and schedule a meeting. Rep. Bowler stated that she was in favor of the study, but in the immediate future, wondered if danger was involved and shouldn't something be done at once. Commissioner Chertok stated that they have had two fires already in the recent past. Rep. Beard stated that they had to expel the fumes and smoke immediately due to breathing problems of the elderly residents. Rep. French stated that because of growth in this area, there was no question of whether the home would have to be expanded in the future, and that it should be planned for at this stage. Commissioner Marsh stated that all the Commissioners were in agreement that there should be at least two plans, perhaps more. Commissioner Sprague stated that the \$22,000. that they were requesting covered more than just an engineering study, it included replacement of the nurse call system, at that point, Chairman Hanson asked Commissioner Sprague if he had a copy of the list that the Commissioner was referring to. Commissioner Sprague replied that he had only the one copy. Rep. Beard then asked permission to make a motion. Rep. Beard moved to authorize the county commissioners to expend up to \$1,500. for an engineering study of the heating needs, present and future, for the county home and jail as needed at the moment. Chairman Hanson asked for any discussion. Rep. French seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Chairman Hanson then requested a copy of the complete proposal for each of the delegates from Commissioner Sprague. Chairman Hanson then said that the committee lists had been distributed and if anybody was unhappy or desired a change, to see him. He also called for a meeting with the committee chairmen. Chairman Hanson then said he needed a delegate to the Cooperative Extension Service and were there any volunteers. There were no volunteers. Rep. Morin then questioned the type of fire alarm system installed in the home and questioned what a turnkey was. Commissioner Sprague explained that it was the regular guard who came around every half of an hour. Chairman Hanson then passed out his nominations for the members of the Executive Committee. Rep. Dionne moved that the proposed Executive Committee be approved as presented to the delegation. Rep. Roberts seconded the motion. The motion was adopted unanimously. Rep. Randall then moved that the Commissioners meet with the oversight committee for the forum in which it will be presented to the delegation. The motion was seconded by Rep. Bowler. The motion was adopted

unanimously. Rep. Roberts reported that there will be a work legislative session today at 1:00 P.M. on January 24th. Chairman Hanson then asked if there was any further business before the meeting. Rep. Morin asked whether the Commissioners could proceed with the balance of \$193,000.00 in the Revenue Sharing Fund. The answer no, that we had voted \$10,000. to Winnisquam plus \$52,000. for the computer, leaving a \$131,000. balance. Chairman Hanson stated that no, the money had to stay. Rep. Roberts stated that the Xerox 660 copier should be in the operating budget not in the capital reserve as minor items should be in the capital reserve account. Rep. Sabbow questioned why the expenditures were listed. Rep. Roberts stated that he wanted some items deferred for additional information. Rep. Dionne moved that consideration be moved to the next meeting of the delegation. The motion was seconded by Rep. Hildreth. General discussion followed to put the balance of the request on the general budget. Rep. Roberts moved all items but Xerox be referred to executive committee and if they fail to act then to recommend that it be referred to the delegation for consideration. Chairman Hanson then read into the record a message from Rep. Sanders who was absent due to illness to the effect that she was opposed to the Winnisquam Rescue vehicle appropriation, in favor of the computer appropriation.

It was then moved to adjourn.

CLIFFORD W. BIRCH, Clerk
Belnap County Delegation

Addenda to the minutes of the meeting.

Page 7, lines 40 and 41, roll call vote:

Yeas - Representatives Beard, Birch, Bordeaux, Bowler, Dionne, Hildreth, Mansfield, Morin, Randall and Sabbow.

Nays - Representatives French, Matheson, Nighswander and Roberts.

CLIFFORD W. BIRCH, Clerk

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
BELKNAP COUNTY CONVENTION
Delegates Hall, State House - Concord, N.H.
January 23, 1979 - 6:45 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at 6:45 P.M. by the chairman, Mike

Hanson.

Present were: Representatives Randall, Hanson, Beard, Mansfield, Sabbow and Birch.

Chairman Hanson opened the meeting by postponing the election of officers.

Rep. Randall and Rep. Mansfield then moved to authorize the county commissioners to borrow not more than \$200,000.00 through the county treasurer in anticipation of taxes for the county expenses for fiscal year 1979 through March 15. The motion was seconded by Rep. Beard and Rep. Sabbow. Motion was carried unanimously.

Motion to adjourn was then carried.

CLIFFORD W. BIRCH, Clerk
Belknap County Delegation

**BELKNAP COUNTY DELEGATION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Room 103, State House - Concord, N.H.
February 8, 1979 - 3:17 P.M.**

Present were: Representatives Sanders, Beard, Birch, Hanson, Randall, Dionne, French, Mansfield, Sabbow and Roberts.

Chairman Hanson announced that he is changing committee procedures and that the sub-committee chairman should have received committee assignments and be meeting with the departments to establish budgets. He gave a schedule of timing as follows: He wanted complete reports on Friday, March 2nd so the Oversight Committee can complete its work by March 9th. Executive Committee to get reports on March 12th, 7:30 P.M. at the Courthouse. Executive Committee will have two weeks to Monday, March 26th to get the reports ready for the full delegation. The full delegation then has one week.

Rep. Sanders moved to adjourn. Rep. Beard seconded the motion. Moved to adjourn 3:25 P.M.

CLIFFORD W. BIRCH, Clerk
Belknap County Delegation

BELKNAP COUNTY DELEGATION
Belknap County Convention
Room 103, State House - Concord, N.H.
February 8, 1979 - 2:30 P.M.

Present were: Representatives Sanders, Morin, Beard, Birch, Hanson, Bordeau, Randall, Dionne, French, Mansfield, Matheson, Sabbow, Roberts and Bowler.

Chairman Hanson called for the first item on the agenda which was a letter from Attorney John P. Chandler regarding the 1945 sale by Belknap County of the so called "Robinson Pasture." Mr. Chandler spoke to the subject, describing it as property sold in 1945 and he recommended an additional title search. Rep. Beard questioned how one could go back 34 years to tree landmarks as mentioned in a deed. Rep. French questioned if the land concern was only in Laconia. Rep. Randall questioned that the County Attorney had requested no vote this afternoon. Chairman Hanson explained he spoke with the County Attorney who felt a full title search was required. Rep. Beard confirmed this. Rep. Roberts stated that he was concerned about the title being good. Rep. Roberts moved that the delegation ask the County Attorney to do a title search and report back in two weeks. Rep. Morin seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Chairman Hanson then moved on to the second item on the agenda, which was a request from the County Commissioners for the expenditure of up to \$15,000. from the County Capital Reserve fund. Rep. Sanders said she didn't remember any discussion on the subject and wondered how much was in the Capital Reserve fund. Chairman Hanson replied \$38,000. Rep. Sanders then asked if there were any more spending plans. Rep. Roberts wanted to know what the appropriation was for. Chairman Hanson replied it was to build a wall and make other repairs in the County Home. Rep. French asked what was the committee report on the home. Rep. Beard reported that the request had been forwarded to the Commissioners. Rep. Sanders moved to have the sub-committee examine the subject further and report back to delegation within two weeks. Rep. Beard seconded the motion. Rep. Sanders spoke in favor of the motion, Chairman Hanson remarked that both the expenditures were ordered by the state. Rep. French asked if there was a time element, and Rep. Sabbow asked why a two week delay in reporting back. Rep. Beard said he had thought no more about the problem, thinking it had been taken care of by the Commissioners. Rep. Morin thought the delegation should not be stampeded. Rep. Roberts asked if they could report back to the delegation in Concord. Chairman Hanson said all he needed was two days notice for scheduling a meeting. One motion carried. Chairman Hanson directed that the clerk get the Commissioners report and distribute it to the

delegation. Chairman Hanson then moved to a discussion of the Sheriff's vehicles and reported that the wrecked vehicle was one of four that the sheriff was requesting replacement of. The Sheriff was asking for authority to buy three new vehicles. Rep. Sanders asked how much was budgeted. Rep. Dionne replied enough for four cars. Rep. Roberts wanted to know what the purpose was. Chairman Hanson replied that they were seeking a lower rate. There was then a general discussion of the insurance and a general discussion of cruiser replacement. Rep. Roberts then recommended that the Sheriff go out for bid on one, two, three or four cars and report back to the delegation chairman with recommendations. Rep. Morin wanted to know whether studies had ever been made on which car was best for police work. Rep. Sanders commented that Rep. Roberts' proposal didn't answer all questions. Rep. Roberts then moved that the Sheriff go out for bids on one, two, three or four cars, and report back to the delegation with recommendations. Rep. Bordeau seconded the motion which was voted unanimously. Rep. Hanson then reported that the Commissioners wanted an appropriation of \$1,500. to build a partition upstairs in the jail. Rep. Sabbow said they wanted to tear out a wall and make a bigger classroom, not build a wall. Rep. Randall moved that it be referred to the Law Enforcement Committee, the motion being seconded by Rep. French and Rep. Sabbow. The motion carried unanimously. Chairman Hanson announced that the delegation would meet in Room 103, in the State House, Thursday, February 15th following the House session. Rep. Hanson then reported that the Commissioners were requesting \$200,000. for funding in anticipation of taxes. Rep. Randall recommended borrowing enough to invest to earn interest. Rep. Roberts questioned whether \$200,000. would last two months. Rep. French thought \$250,000. for the next sixty days would be better. Rep. Randall suggested putting \$100,000. in Certificates of Deposit. Rep. Hanson said that Treasurer Wakeman would take care of it. Rep. Roberts moved that the county delegation authorize borrowing up to \$250,000. in anticipation of taxes to pay the expenses of the county for the next sixty days. Rep. Sabbow seconded the motion. Rep. Roberts then requested that the treasurer be asked the amount borrowed and amount of interest received over the past five years. Rep. French stated that the county recouped one to two and one half percent (1 percent - 2½ percent) anytime they had put money into Certificates of Deposit. Rep. Roberts suggested the possibility of shifting fiscal year to coincide with tax payments. Rep. Sabbow questioned whether this hadn't happened before. Rep. Randall explained how it worked. Rep. Roberts' motion passed unanimously. It was moved to adjourn at 3:15 P.M.

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Belknap County Delegation

**BELKNAP COUNTY DELEGATION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Room 103, State House - Concord, N.H.
February 15, 1979 - 12:25 P.M.**

The meeting was called to order at 12:25 P.M. by the chairman.

Present were: Representatives Beard, Birch, Dionne, Hanson, Mansfield, Randall and Sabbow.

Chairman Hanson called for the election of officers. Chairman Hanson then called for the nomination from the floor for the position of chairman. Rep. Mansfield nominated Rep. Randall, seconded by Rep. Birch. Chairman Hanson then called for any further nominations. Rep. Dionne moved that the nominations be closed. The vote was unanimous. Rep. Dionne moved that the secretary cast one ballot for Rep. Randall to be Chairman of the Executive Committee. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously. Chairman Hanson then turned over the meeting to Chairman Randall. Chairman Randall proceeded to the call for nominations for vice-chairman. Rep. Sabbow nominated Rep. Sanders to be vice-chairman. Rep. Beard seconded the motion. Rep. Mansfield moved that the nominations cease. Motion carried unanimously. Rep. Hanson moved that the clerk cast one ballot for the election of Rep. Sanders as vice-chairman of the Executive Committee. The motion carried unanimously. Chairman Randall then called for nominations for the position of clerk of the Executive Committee. Rep. Hanson nominated Rep. Birch to be Clerk. The motion was seconded. It was moved and seconded that the nominations be closed and the motion carried. Rep. Randall moved that the Chairman cast one ballot for the clerk. The motion was seconded and carried. Rep. moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded and carried. Rep. Hanson commented that this was the first time in three years he had seen the delegation officers correctly elected. Meeting adjourned at 12:35 P.M.

**CLIFFORD W. BIRCH, Clerk
Belknap County Delegation**

**BELKNAP COUNTY DELEGATION
Belknap County Convention
Room 103, State House - Concord, N.H.
February 15, 1979 - 12:00**

Present were: Representatives Beard, Birch, Bowler, Dionne, Hanson,

Hildreth, Mansfield, Matheson, Morin, Randall and Sabbow.

Chairman Hanson wanted it printed in the record that Bordeau and Nighswander were absent because of illness.

Chairman Hanson called on Rep. Beard to make his report on use of the capital reserve fund for county home improvements. Rep. Beard submitted a written report plus filling out the written report verbally in more detail. Rep. Sabbow questioned the figure for the call system, asking if it was just one bid. Rep. Beard replied that there was only one company in the state that worked on such systems. Rep. Sabbow asked if it could be tied in with a future new wing. Rep. Beard replied yes. Rep. Morin stated that you are saying Room 36 does not meet regulations. Rep. Beard replied that that was one of them and described some of the other deficiencies. Rep. Mansfield stated that he was concerned about not having communications from the restrooms to the front desk. Chairman Hanson called for a motion. Rep. Beard moved to appropriate up to \$15,000. to construct a wall and install a new call system in the County Home from the Capital Reserve fund. Rep. Randall seconded. Vote was unanimous. Chairman Hanson reported that he had been in touch with the County Attorney and that he would have a report on the Robinson pasture property on Saturday. Chairman Hanson then said the next thing on the agenda was Rep. Dionne's report on transfer of E.D.A. funds. Rep. Bowler wished to return to the prior subject and asked if the county creates expense for the Robinson pasture property, could it be reimbursed. She felt the individual should reimburse the county for expenses incurred by the county. General discussion followed. Chairman Hanson stated that he would talk to the County Attorney about that and if possible put a clause in the resolution to cover it. Chairman Hanson then called for the Law Enforcement Committee report on the Sheriff's cars and the Jail revision. Rep. Dionne first took up the jail request and the use of E.D.A. funds to remove the wall. Rep. Dionne reported that the committee rejected the request to use E.D.A. funds. Rep. Hildreth reported he had been in touch with Neil Cannon a regional director who said no it couldn't be done. Rep. Beard pointed out that the full answer wasn't no but to hold in abeyance while checking the legality. Rep. Hildreth said he was surprised that the County Commissioners wanted to just go ahead and do it. Chairman Hanson stated that the present Commissioners were advised by a previous commissioner to just go ahead and do it and don't say anything. Rep. Hildreth recommended that the Commissioners should write to Philadelphia, describing the project and the money available and asking permission to use it. Chairman Hanson stated he had asked the Commissioners to hold any activity in abeyance, until E.D.A. did authorize the expenditure and then the delegation could pass a motion to approve it. Rep. Dionne then reported on

the Sheriff's request for four vehicles to have purchase authorized in advance of regular budget. He reported the cost would be the same whether one, two, three or four vehicles were ordered at once. Rep. Dionne said he had seen the bids and the low bid was \$5,831. for Buick LeSabre and that the Sheriff was afraid that if they waited until March the cost might increase as much as 10 percent. Chairman Hanson commented that the delegation was originally told that three units would result in a lower unit price. Rep. Dionne replied that the quotes had shown that it made no difference how many were purchased at one time. Rep. Randall commented that while quantity would not make a difference in price per unit, waiting until March could result in a substantially higher price. Rep. Dionne then went into some detail on the bids for the various vehicles. Rep. Dionne commented that his committee was in favor of not granting the budget request, but waiting for the regular budgetary procedures to be carried out. General discussion was had on how many cars were needed and when. Rep. Dionne then stated that the original request was for three regular patrol vehicles but there was also in existence a fourth fully marked patrol vehicle used by Lieutenant Gilbert for his investigative work which could be used as a patrol vehicle. Rep. Dionne felt that that fully marked car could be used for regular patrol and Lieutenant Gilbert could switch down to one of the four unmarked vehicles. Chairman Hanson suggested holding up on this to a later date. Chairman Hanson asked for any other business and reported that the budget processing sub-committees should be in business and that the deadline was March 2nd. Chairman Hanson announced that the Executive Committee would meet immediately following the adjournment of this meeting, and called for a motion to adjourn. Rep. Sabbow moved to adjourn, seconded by Rep. Randall, adjourned 12:20 P.M.

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Belnap County Delegation

BELKNAP COUNTY DELEGATION
Belnap County Convention
Belnap County Courthouse - Laconia, N.H.
March 12, 1979 - 8:08 P.M.

Present were: Representatives Birch, Bordeaux, Bowler, Dionne, French, Hanson, Hildreth, Mansfield, Matheson, Morin, Nighswander, Randall, Roberts and Sanders.

Chairman Hanson opened the meeting for discussion of the Robinson Pasture. Rep. Bowler questioned on page 2 whether Smith and Robinson's

names had been confused. Discussion followed. Rep. Roberts moved that the resolution as presented by the County Attorney be adopted by the Delegation. The resolution reads as follows:

The conveyance by the County Commissioners of certain land in Meredith and Laconia to Robinson W. Smith and Ruth H. Smith by description as contained in deed signed April 20, 1945, and recorded in the Belknap County Registry of Deeds, Book 297, Page 207, is hereby ratified and confirmed as having been authorized by the vote of the delegation on March 9, 1945 empowering the then Commissioners of Belknap County to sell certain real estate then generally described as the "Meredith Pasture".

The motion was seconded by Reps. Dionne and French. Discussion of any extra cost that may have been incurred followed, but there were no additional costs. The motion carried unanimously. Chairman Hanson directed the clerk to send a copy of the minutes to Attorney Chandler.

Rep. Hanson then requested a report from the sub-committee on computer technology. Rep. Randall reported that the preliminary work had been completed and requested an extension of time to March 26th for completion of the report. Chairman Hanson then requests that Rep. Randall move that the time period of the report of the sub-committee be extended to 7:30 P.M. on March 26, 1979. Motion was seconded by Reps. Birch and French. Motion carried.

Rep. Hanson called on Commissioner Sprague to report on negotiations with the Sheriff's department and Commissioner Sprague referred the subject to Roger Burlingame. Mr. Burlingame then moved to a general discussion of the fact finders report as it applied to the County Jail, the County Home and the Sheriff's dept. This opened the subject to extended questioning by the County Delegation as a whole. Rep. Roberts stated he felt inhibited in discussion of the subject and moved that the delegation go into executive session. The motion was seconded by Reps. French and Nighswander. Rep. French moved to vote the question. The motion carried. Chairman Hanson then called for the main question. The motion carried but Rep. Hildreth wished to be recorded in the negative. Chairman Hanson called a temporary recess at 8:30 P.M.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Hanson reconvened in Executive Session at 8:35 P.M. Extensive discussion then ensued on the subject of the Sheriff's dept.'s contract, the County Jail Contract and the County Home contract between

Attorney Burlingame, the Commissioners and the County Delegation. Where no further discussion ensued, Rep. Nighswander moved that the delegation go back to open session. The motion was seconded by Rep. Morin and the motion carried at 9:25 P.M. Chairman Hanson called a five minute recess.

OPEN SESSION

Chairman Hanson reopened the meeting at 9:28 P.M. with a statement to the effect that the delegation expected to complete it's budget work by March 31st and the delegation sincerely hopes there will be agreement on the salary scale by that date.

Chairman Hanson then stated he was opening it up to discussion or motion, or whatever the delegation wished. Rep. French moved that the delegation reject the fact-finders report as far as the Sheriff's department was concerned. The motion was seconded by Rep. Hildreth. Motion carried unanimously. Rep. Hanson asked if there was any further business to come before the delegation at this time. Reps. Nighswander and Roberts commented on timing. Chairman Hanson closed the issue. He asked if there was any new business to be brought up before the delegation and suggested that a reappraisal of the Gunstock Area relationship to the County Delegation should bear study. He also stated that he would be sending out an attendance list of the sub-committee meetings very shortly. Rep. French moved to adjourn, seconded by Rep. Mansfield, adjourned at 9:35 P.M.

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Belknap County Delegation

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
BELKNAP COUNTY CONVENTION
Belknap County Courthouse - Laconia, N.H.
March 12, 1979 - 7:15 P.M.

Present were: Representatives Birch, Dionne, French, Hanson, Mansfield, Randall, Roberts and Sanders.

Chairman Randall opened the meeting with a discussion of future meeting dates for the Executive Committee to consider the budget. Monday, March 19 and Tuesday, March 20th at 7:30 P.M. were settled on, meeting to be held at the courthouse.

Chairman Randall then opened the discussion on the various types of budgets to be considered. Mr. MacKissock then asked to discuss the County Secretary's salary. Discussion ensued. Rep. Hanson opened discussion of the County Sheriff's dept. Rep. Hanson moved that at this time figures for all employees of the Sheriff's department be stricken and the amount of zero be put in for each employee. The motion was seconded by Rep. Dionne. Discussion followed. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Randall suggested then that the Executive Committee only discuss revenue items. He then moved to page two of the budget. He proceeded to take each line item one at a time in order. Rep. Dionne moved to reduce line 24 from \$1,500. to \$500. The motion was seconded by Rep. Hanson and discussion followed. As a result of the discussion, Rep. Dionne withdrew the motion, Rep. Hanson withdrew his second. Rep. Hanson moved that line 29 be increased from \$3,500. to \$4,000, seconded by Rep. Roberts. Discussion followed. The vote was unanimously affirmative. Rep. Hanson moved that we adopt all line items on Revenue except line 23, Grants and line 24, Cruiser Trade-In, with the total to be voted on only with all the other totals as our last action. The motion was seconded by Rep. Roberts, and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative. Rep. Roberts suggested moving to page 4, Register of Deeds budget, without any discussion on the salaries line. Discussion followed. Rep. Hanson questioned line 35C, Xerox storage, and was answered by Rep. Roberts. Rep. Hanson questioned line 36A, Equipment, and the recommendation was explained by Rep. Roberts. Rep. Hanson questioned line 36D, Recording Supplies, and line 36E, Printing. Rep. Roberts explained. Rep. Sanders commented. Rep. Roberts said he would recheck those two items. Rep. Hanson questioned line 36H and line 36I and Rep. Roberts responded. Chairman Randall passed over line 36M, Social Security, line 36N, Retirement System, and 36O, Blue Cross-Blue Shield. Rep. Dionne questioned lines 36P, Postage, 36Q, Maintenance OCE, 36R, Supplies OCE, and 36S, Plan Books (50) as they were new lines. Rep. Roberts explained. Rep. Hanson moved that the recommendations of the sub-committee except for the lines salaries, and lines 36D, E, H, I, M, N, O, be adopted. The motion was seconded by Rep. Dionne. The motion was unanimously adopted.

Rep. Roberts moved to adjourn, Rep. Dionne seconded and the motion carried.

Adjourned at 8:02 P.M.

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Belknap County Delegation

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
BELKNAP COUNTY CONVENTION
Belknap County Courthouse - Laconia, N.H.
March 19, 1979 - 7:38 P.M.**

Present were: Representatives Birch, Dionne, French, Hanson, Mansfield, Randall, Roberts and Sanders.

Also: Representatives Morin and Nighswander

Chairman Randall first called on Bob Snarr of the Twin Rivers Coordinating Council, who in turn, called on Ray Wixon to talk on the budget. Mr. Wixon discussed the overall budget of the council and stated that they were requesting \$7,500. from the county. Extensive questioning and discussion then followed. After the members of the executive committee had concluded their questions and comments, Chairman Randall closed the discussion.

At the request of the Sheriff, Chairman Randall opened the meeting for discussion of the Sheriff's request to speak again on his budget. Rep. Roberts moved that the Sheriff be given an opportunity to make a brief presentation to the Executive Committee before referral to the full delegation. Reps. Mansfield and Sanders seconded the motion. Rep. Sanders moved to amend Rep. Roberts' motion to allow questions from any members of the delegation present and seated at the table to be directed to any law enforcement personnel who were appearing on behalf of the Sheriff's department. Rep. Roberts seconded the amendment. The amendment carried. Chairman Randall then called for the main motion and it carried. Chairman Randall called on Sheriff Alden to testify. The Sheriff distributed a handout. Sheriff Alden opened by referring to line 36O, Special Investigation, which had been cut to zero from the 1978 budget of \$5,000. He stated that the department had already spent \$3,000. against that zero budget. Discussion followed. Rep. Hanson requested that the sheriff address himself to the critical items on his budget. The Sheriff next went to line 36A, Equipment-Cruisers, and commented that the delegation had cut him down from four cruisers to two. Discussion followed. Sheriff Alden next brought up line 36F, Equipment - Communications, which had been reduced to \$1,200. from the Commissioners' budget of \$2,625. He referred the delegation to a bill for \$2,550. for communications equipment already ordered. Questions and discussion followed. Rep. Nighswander questioned line 36G, Maintenance-Communications and was answered by Sheriff Alden. Sheriff Alden then went to line 36P, Telephone, asking restoration of the \$7,100. instead of the sub-committee's recommendation of \$6,000. Mr. MacKissock spoke on a new telephone company plan for reducing phone costs in certain

cases. Sheriff Alden moved on to line 36Z, Extradition and Travel, and requested that it be returned to \$3,000. from the \$2,000. sub-committee recommendation. Discussion followed. Sheriff Alden moved to line 36AF, Crime Commissioner matching funds (grant) and requested that the recommendation be increased to \$4,000. total, \$2,000. of which would be from matching funds. This would be for relocation and improvement of the antenna systems. Sheriff Alden requested that the cadet program appropriation of \$1,800. be reinstituted as it was offset by funding by the crime commission. This item shows in line 23 of page 2, Grants. Discussion followed. Rep. Roberts returned to discussion of cruiser maintenance. Discussion then ensued on many of the items already covered. Chairman Randall then asked if any of the police chiefs present wanted to testify. Barnstead Chief Byer spoke in favor. Gilford Chief Blake spoke in favor. Sanbornton Chief Neilson spoke in favor. Alton Chief Martin spoke in favor. Commissioner Sprague spoke for the walkie-talkies. Chairman Randall requested the Commissioners in the future to advise the delegation of pending activities similar to the walkie-talkies. Chairman Randall closed the discussion, and at 9:10 P.M. Rep. Roberts moved that the Executive Committee go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing with the County Attorney and the Sheriff some ongoing investigations. The motion was seconded by Rep. Sanders and carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An extended discussion ensued.

OPEN SESSION

Executive session closed at 9:39 P.M., and the Executive Committee moved back to open session. Rep. Roberts requested return to the Register of Deeds budget and Mr. MacKissock had re-examined certain line items and explained that 36C, 36D, 36E, could be cut to \$1,500., 36H, could be cut \$1,000. 36I, cut by \$850., called for a new total of \$105,717.86. Rep. Roberts asked that the budget request reflect the changes. Discussion ensued on the salary items. Rep. Randall moved to page 3 of the budget and discussion ensued. Rep. Hanson moved adoption of page 3 with the exception of lines 4100:01, 4110:01, 4110:42, 4110:50, and 4110:60. Motion was seconded and moved. Chairman Randall then moved to page 4 of the budget. Rep. Hanson moved adoption of changes to page 4 on line 36D to remain at \$4,000., 36E \$1,500., 36H, to be \$3,500., and 36I, to be \$50. Motion was seconded by Representative Roberts. Specifically deleted from consideration on page 4 were lines 4120:00, Salaries, 36M, Social Security, 36N, Retirement System. Chairman Randall then moved to discussion of page 5. Rep. Roberts moved

that line 36A, Equipment - Cruisers be changed to \$17,511. Rep. French seconded the motion. Discussion followed. Chairman Randall called for the motion and it was defeated. Rep. Dionne then moved that line 36A, Equipment - Cruisers be changed to \$11,674. from \$12,000. Motion was seconded by Rep. Hanson. Discussion followed. Rep. Hanson stated for the record that he would hope Sheriff Alden, a dedicated public servant, that I would hope that he wouldn't do something as childish as take an action of policy just to destroy one vehicle to make a point where it would cost the taxpayers additional money. Chairman Randall called for the vote and it carried four to two. Rep. Dionne moved that line 36F, Equipment - Communications, be changed from \$1,200. to \$2,550. Motion was seconded by Rep. French and the vote carried. Rep. Dionne moved to change 36G, Maintenance - Communications, from \$1,800. to \$1,000. Motion seconded by Rep. Roberts, motion carried. Rep. Roberts moved that line 36O, Special Investigations, be changed from zero to \$5,000. Motion was seconded by Rep. French. Extended discussion followed. Rep. Roberts moved the question. Chairman Randall called for the vote and the motion carried. Chairman Randall then moved the main question, and the motion changing line 36O, Special Investigations from zero to \$5,000. carried. Rep. Hanson moved that page 5 be adopted as amended. Motion seconded by Rep. Hanson. Motion carried. Chairman Randall moved on to page six and Rep. Roberts moved to amend line Z, Extradition and Travel, from \$2,000. to \$3,000. Motion was seconded by Rep. French. There was no discussion. The motion carried. Rep. Dionne moved that line 80, Workmen's Compensation, be changed from \$10,218.51 to \$10,000. Discussion followed. Rep. Hanson seconded, motion carried. Rep. Randall then summarized that lines AA, AB, and AC would remain open at this time. It was moved and seconded to adopt the page as amended. Motion carried. Rep. Roberts moved that line AF, Crime Commission Matching Funds (grant) be increased from zero to \$4,000. Rep. French seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion carried. Rep. Roberts requested an asterisk at line AF, \$4,000. to indicate that \$2,000. of it was in matching funds and not to be used for any other purpose. Rep. Hanson moved that the page be accepted as finally amended, seconded by Rep. Mansfield, motion carried. Chairman Randall moved to page 7. Rep. French moved that Overtime - Special Investigation Covers, \$20,800. be changed to \$15,800. Motion was seconded by Rep. Mansfield. Discussion followed. Rep. Hanson moved that the motion be tabled for further consideration. Rep. French seconded the motion, the motion carried. Rep. Roberts discussed personnel policies. Rep. Dionne moved to amend the cadet line from zero to \$1,800. Rep. Hanson seconded. Discussion followed. The motion carried. Rep. Roberts asked to return to page 2, line 23, Grants, general discussion then followed on the empty position of full-time investigator. Rep. Roberts moved that the recommendation of the Executive Committee be that there

be a full-time investigator to assist the Sheriff. Motion was seconded by Rep. Mansfield. Extended discussion followed. Rep. Hanson moved the question. Chairman Randall put it to a vote and the motion carried. Reps. Dionne and Hanson wished to be recorded in the negative. Reps. Roberts, French, Mansfield, and Birch voted in favor. Chairman Randall moved to page 8 on the budget. Rep. Hanson moved that the Executive Committee adopt page 8 with the exception of salary, social security and retirement lines. Seconded by Rep. Mansfield. Motion carried. Rep. Hanson moved that the Superior Court budget as presented on page 9 and 10 be adopted as printed with the exception of salaries, social security, and retirement items. Rep. Mansfield seconded. Discussion followed. Motion carried. Chairman Randall moved to discussion of page 11. Discussion ensued on line 190:56, Old Age Assistance, Rep. French moved to amend line 190:56, Old Age Assistance, from \$240,000. to \$288,000. Motion was seconded by Rep. Roberts, motion carried. Rep. Roberts moved that line 190:37 Office Equipment, be changed from zero to \$200. Rep. Mansfield seconded, motion carried. Rep. Hanson moved that page 11 be adopted as amended, seconded by Rep. French, motion carried. Rep. Randall asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion was made and seconded to adjourn the Executive Committee meeting. Motion carried at 12:05 A.M.

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Belknap County Delegation

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
BELKNAP COUNTY CONVENTION
Belknap County Courthouse - Laconia, N.H.
March 26, 1979 - 7:40 P.M.**

Present were: Representatives Birch, Dionne, French, Hanson, Mansfield, Randall, Roberts, and Sanders.

Also Present: Representative Bordeau

Chairman Randall opened the meeting by asking Rep. Hanson to move that acceptable contracts be approved. Rep. Hanson moved to recommend that the acceptable contracts for the County Home and the County Jail be accepted as recommended and that all the positions get a 6 percent increase. Discussion followed by Rep. French, Mr. MacKissock, Chairman Randall, Rep. Hanson and Rep. Dionne. Rep. French seconded the motion. Rep. Mansfield questioned the exclusion of the Financial Coordinator and the Secretary-Welfare Coordinator's salaries from approval of the contract items, and it was explained that they were subject to individual negotiations. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Randall commented that at the last Executive Committee meeting, rebuttal of page 11 had been reached, so we should move on to page 12 and 13 which were summary sheets of pages 14 through 30, and that when 14 through 30 had been adopted, pages 12 and 13 were automatically adopted. On page 14, Rep. Hanson questioned line 160, Auditing. Discussion followed. Rep. Dionne questioned line 390, Supplies, wondering why the subcommittee had recommended more than the Commissioners requested. Discussion followed. Chairman Randall questioned line 990, Contingency Fund as being a new item. Discussion followed. Rep. Dionne questioned line 970, Equipment, and it was explained that it was for a desk top calculator. Mr. MacKissock having returned from an errand, Chairman Randall referred back to lines 150 and 160. Discussion followed. It was explained that the Commissioners were breaking auditing and accounting into two separate departments. Consideration returned to line 990, Contingency Fund. Discussion followed. Rep. Hanson moved to eliminate any funding for line 990, seconded by Rep. Dionne, voted unanimously. Rep. Roberts questioned line 720, County Car Expense. Mr. MacKissock explained. Discussion followed. Line 820, Maintenance and Repairs was questioned, discussion followed. Discussion moved back to line 970, Equipment again. Mr. MacKissock pointed out that the old fashion adding machine was not capable of calculating as well as adding and subtracting. Notes 1 and 2 at the bottom of page 14 were discussed extensively. Rep. French moved to delete notes 1 and 2 from page 14 and adjust the budget accordingly. Motion was seconded by Rep. Sanders. Discussion followed. Rep. Dionne moved the question which was voted unanimously. Chairman Randall called for the main motion which was also voted unanimously. Rep. Hanson moved that page 14 be adopted as amended, seconded by Rep. Mansfield, voted unanimously.

Chairman Randall moved to page 15 and Rep. Sanders questioned line 650, Fuel, and 820, Building Repairs, and 970, Equipment. Extended discussion followed. Rep. Hanson moved that line 390, Supplies, but cut from \$3,500. to \$3,000. Motion was seconded by Rep. Dionne. There was no discussion, motion passed. Rep. Hanson moved that line 650, Fuel be changed from \$30,000. to \$28,000. Motion seconded by Rep. Sanders. There was no discussion, and the vote was in the affirmative. Rep. Roberts questioned lines 720, Gas and Oil - Truck and Tractor and line 730, Repairs - Truck and Tractor. Discussion followed. Rep. Sanders moved to reduce line 730, Repairs - Truck and Tractor from \$1,200. to \$600. seconded by Rep. Dionne, voted unanimously. Line 920, Outside Firms was questioned and discussed. Rep. Roberts questioned line 960, Seed, Fertilizer, Spray. After discussion, Rep. Roberts moved that line 960, Seed, Fertilizer and Spray be amended to \$350. from \$600. Seconded by Rep. Mansfield, voted

unanimously. Rep. Hanson moved that page 15 be accepted as amended, seconded by Rep. Birch, discussion followed. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Randall moved to page 16. Rep. Dionne questioned line 230, Consulting, discussion followed. Rep. Sanders questioned line 390, Supplies, discussion followed. Rep. Sanders next questioned line 970, Equipment - Ice Machine. Rep. Sanders moved to delete the Ice Machine line 970 Equipment, seconded by Rep. Dionne, discussion followed. Motion carried 4 to 3. Rep. Roberts moved that the delegation recommend the Ice Machine be purchased through Revenue Sharing or Capital Reserve Fund. Motion was seconded by Rep. French and voted unanimously.

Line 030, Overtime, was discussed. Rep. Hanson questioned line 010, Payroll, and discussion followed. Rep. Mansfield moved to accept page 16 as amended, seconded by Rep. Sanders, motion voted in the affirmative.

Chairman Randall moved on to page 17. Rep. Sanders questioned line 170, Inservice Education. Discussion followed. Rep. Sanders moved to cut line 170, Inservice Education from \$3,000. to \$2,000., motion seconded by Rep. Roberts, motion voted by the majority. Rep. Dionne questioned line 995, Office Supplies, a new account. Discussion followed. Rep. Dionne moved that line 995, Office Supplies be amended from \$500. to \$0. Motion seconded by Rep. Sanders. Rep. Roberts spoke against the motion. Rep. Roberts moved to amend line 995, Office Supplies from \$0 to \$250., with \$200. to be taken from the Administrative Costs on page 14, line 390. Chairman Randall moved that page 14 be reopened with line 390 reduced from \$3,200. to \$3,000. Voted in the affirmative, the motion carried. Rep. Roberts' motion was then voted upon and carried. Rep. Dionne questioned line 970, Equipment, and discussion ensued. Rep. Dionne moved to change line 970, Equipment from \$6,091. to \$391. Motion seconded by Rep. Roberts, voted unanimously. Rep. Sanders questioned line 980, Restorative Nursing Aide. Discussion followed. Rep. Sanders moved to adjust line 980, Restorative Nursing Aide from \$7,100. to \$0. Motion seconded by Rep. Dionne, discussion followed. Motion carried 4 to 3.

Rep. Dionne moved to accept page 17 as amended. Seconded by Rep. French, voted unanimously.

Chairman Randall moved on to page 18 and Rep. Sanders questioned line 890, Other replacements. Discussion followed. Chairman Randall questioned line 940, Equipment. Discussion followed. Rep. French moved acceptance of page 18 as printed, seconded by Rep. Hanson, voted

unanimously.

Chairman Randall moved on to page 19 and Rep. Sanders questioned line 970, Equipment. Discussion followed. Rep. Roberts moved to amend line 970, Equipment from \$1,575. to \$0 with the purchase of the floor machine to be from Revenue Sharing Funds. Rep. French seconded, motion carried unanimously. Rep. French moved to accept page 19 as amended, seconded by Rep. Sanders, voted unanimously.

Chairman Randall moved to page 20 and Rep. Sanders questioned line 830, Pharmacy Consulting. Discussion followed. Rep. French moved that page 20 be accepted as printed, seconded by Rep. Sanders, voted unanimously.

Chairman Randall moved to page 21. Rep. Sanders questioned line 550, Gasoline Purchases, discussion followed. Rep. Dionne moved that line 550, Gasoline Purchases, be changed from \$200. to \$0. Rep. Sanders seconded, motion carried. Rep. Roberts questioned line 280, Funeral and Cemetery, discussion followed. Rep. Roberts moved that line 280, Funeral and Cemetery be changed from \$900. to \$0. Motion was seconded by Rep. Sanders and voted unanimously. Rep. Dionne questioned line 230, Consulting (Speech). Discussion followed. Rep. French moved to accept page 21 as printed, seconded by Rep. Sanders, voted unanimously.

Chairman Randall moved to page 22 of the budget and opened to discussion. Rep. Dionne moved that line 800 be deleted in its entirety. Rep. Hanson seconded. Discussion followed. Rep. Sanders moved to amend the motion to leave the Chair at \$110. and the piano bench at \$100. in the budget. Her motion was seconded by Rep. Mansfield, the amendment was voted 4 in the affirmative, 3 in the negative. Chairman Randall then stated that the main motion was to only remove the sound projector from the budget as printed. Motion was made by Rep. French, seconded by Rep. Hanson, voted unanimously. Rep. Dionne questioned line 700, Travel Expense, discussion followed. Rep. Sanders questioned line 900, Activities Consultant. Discussion followed. Rep. French moved that page 22 be accepted as amended. Motion seconded by Rep. Hanson, motion voted unanimously.

Chairman Randall moved on to page 23 of the budget and opened it for discussion. Rep. Sanders questioned line 200:010, Full-Time Therapist, line 300:010 Payroll, and 300:020, Supplies. Discussion followed. Rep. Hanson moved that page 23 be adopted as printed, motion seconded by Rep. Sanders, motion approved unanimously.

Chairman Randall opened page 24 for discussion. Chairman Randall

noted that by approving page 23, the delegation has also approved pages 12 and 13 which were summary sheets of pages 14 through 23. Rep. Sanders questioned line 970, Equipment (Food Carts) and discussion followed. Rep. Sanders moved that line 970, Equipment (Food Carts) be changed from \$5,000. to \$0. Rep. Hanson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. Rep. French questioned line: Overtime, Yardtime, and Meetings. Discussion followed. Rep. Roberts moved to change the line: Overtime, Yardtime and Meetings from \$5,500. to \$3,000. Rep. French seconded, carried unanimously. Rep. Roberts questioned the line Guard Training. Discussion followed. Rep. Roberts moved to change the line Guard Training from \$4,434. to \$2,000. Rep. Randall seconded, discussion followed. Motion carried unanimously. Rep. Roberts questioned the line headed Holidays. Rep. Roberts questioned the line headed Hazardous Duty Pay. Discussion followed. Rep. Roberts moved to delete the line Hazardous Duty Pay changing \$12,256. to \$0. Motion was seconded by Rep. Dionne, discussion followed. The vote being 2 in the affirmative to 3 in the negative, the motion did not carry. Rep. Roberts questioned line 8100, Maintenance and Repairs. Discussion followed. Rep. Sanders moved that line 8100, Maintenance and Repairs be changed from \$5,000. to \$2,500. Rep. Hanson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. Rep. Roberts questioned line 5700, Food Costs-Employees. Discussion followed. Rep. Roberts moved that line 5000, Cigarettes be changed from \$4,500. to \$3,500. Rep. Sanders seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Rep. Sanders questioned line 6950, 7000 and on page 25, line 9800, Auto Expense. Discussion followed. Rep. Roberts moved to delete the "footnote to the Belknap County Jail budget, line 5950, Automobile" to change line 6950, Automobile from \$500. to \$0. and to change line 9800, Auto Expense from \$1,000. to \$0. Motion seconded by Rep. French, discussion followed. The motion carried. Rep. Roberts questioned line 7000, Travel. Discussion followed. Rep. French moved that page 24 be approved as amended. Motion was seconded by Rep. Sanders and carried unanimously. Rep. Hanson moved that page 25 be approved as amended. Motion was seconded by Rep. French and carried unanimously.

Chairman Randall opened discussion on page 26. Rep. Hanson moved that the line Lakes Region Twin Rivers appropriation be shown as \$7,500. instead of no recommendation. Motion was seconded by Rep. Dionne and discussion followed. After the discussion, Rep. Hanson said that he would withdraw his motion if Rep. Dionne would withdraw his second. Rep. Dionne stated he wanted to speak before withdrawing his second. After speaking, Rep. Dionne withdrew his second. Rep. Hanson moved that the Executive Committee recommend that a sum of \$7,500. be funded to the Lakes Region Twin Rivers Coordinating Council through Revenue Sharing. Rep. Roberts seconded the motion, the majority voted in the affirmative but

Rep. Sanders wished to be recorded as voting in the negative. Rep. Hanson moved that page 26 be accepted as printed. Rep. Mansfield seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Chairman Randall opened the discussion on page 27, general discussion followed. Rep. Hanson moved that pages 27 and 28 be accepted as printed. Rep. Sanders seconded the motion. Discussion followed. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Randall opened page 29 to discussion. Rep. Hanson moved that pages 29 and 30 be accepted as printed. Motion seconded by Rep. Mansfield, voted unanimously.

Chairman Randall returned to the discussion of pages 12 and 13. By general agreement, action on pages 12 and 13 was postponed until revised figures were available. Chairman Randall then moved the discussion to page 1. Discussion ensued, referring to the line Miscellaneous Income on page 12 to \$4,000. from \$3,000. Motion seconded by Rep. French, motion carried.

Chairman Randall directed the discussion back to pages 1 and 2. An extended discussion ensued during which the delegation decided to increase line 4008:00, Office Rents from \$1,320. to \$7,550., Line 4023:00, Grants from \$1,800. to \$3,800., and Line 4024:00, Cruiser Trade-in from \$1,500. to \$3,875.

Rep. Roberts returned to discussion of line 4110:42, Secretary-Welfare Coordinator on Page 3 of the Budget and moved to increase to \$10,826.40 from \$10,535.20. Motion was seconded by Rep. French and discussion followed during which Rep. Roberts stated that he would like to see a job description of the present position. Motion carried.

Chairman Randall then opened for discussion line 4100:01 Financial Coordinator on page 3. Discussion followed. Mr. MacKissock spoke on the subject. Rep. Roberts moved that the Executive Committee go into Executive Session. Motion seconded by Rep. Mansfield, carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

In the Executive Session, a comprehensive discussion on the Financial Coordinator's salary, duties and responsibilities ensued.

OPEN SESSION

After adjourning from the Executive Session, Rep. Roberts moved that

the Financial Coordinator's salary be based on a combination of 31 minimum, starting January 1 and running through July 1 at which time it would go to Step 1. The net amount then for a fiscal year would be \$16,504.80. Motion was seconded by Rep. French, more discussion ensued, motion voted unanimously.

It was then moved and seconded to adjourn, adjourned at 12:25 A.M.

CLIFFORD W. BIRCH, Clerk

**BELKNAP COUNTY DELEGATION
BELKNAP COUNTY CONVENTION
Belknap County Courthouse - Laconia, N.H.
March 30, 1979 - 7:45 P.M.**

Present were: Representatives Beard, Birch, Bordeau, Bowler, Dionne, French, Hanson, Hildreth, Mansfield, Matheson, Morin, Nighswander, Randall, Sabbow and Sanders.

Chairman Hanson opened the meeting by asking for a report of the sub-committee on the computer by Rep. Randall. Rep. Randall recommended that the county do not go with the Fire Dispatch computer for any further capabilities at present. Rep. Randall stated that the first order of business was to establish what the county wanted the computer to do. Rep. Randall recommended continuance of the committee studying the computer.

Chairman Hanson opened the discussion of the engineering study for the County Home. Commissioner Marsh reported that additional funding would be needed for the engineering study. Rep. Beard moved that the delegation appropriate \$3,000. for the purpose of the engineering study, seconded by Rep. Sabbow. Motion carried.

Chairman Hanson opened discussion of page 1 of the County budget. Chairman Hanson outlined the ground rules for the discussion wherein a page would be accepted and then opened to amendments. Rep. Sanders questioned.

Rep. French moved that the Executive Committee report be accepted. Motion seconded by Rep. Bordeau, Rep. Sanders questioned. Rep. Sanders voted to amend line 4029:00, Gasoline Sales Tax Refund from \$3,500. to \$4,000. Motion seconded by Rep. Dionne. Chairman Hanson called for the motion and it was moved as amended to accept page 2 as amended. Rep.

Sanders questioned line 4024:00, Cruiser Trade-in. Chairman Hanson called for the motion on page 2 as amended, vote was in the affirmative.

Chairman Hanson opened discussion on page 3 and Rep. Randall moved page 3 be adopted as printed, seconded by Rep. Dionne. Rep. Sanders questioned line 4110:01, County Attorney's secretary salary, discussion followed. Rep. Nighswander questioned line 4110:42, Secretary-Welfare Coordinator. Discussion followed. Chairman Hanson called for the question and page three was adopted unanimously.

Chairman Hanson opened discussion on page 4 of the budget. Rep. Mansfield moved acceptance of page 4 as printed, seconded by Rep. Sanders. There being no discussion. Chairman Hanson called for the question, motion carried.

Rep. Sanders moved acceptance of page 5 as printed, Rep. Bordeau seconded. Rep. Morin questioned line 36F, Equipment-Communications and 36O, Special Investigation. Discussion followed. Rep. Beard questioned line 36A, Equipment-Cruisers. Discussion followed. Rep. Beard moved to amend line 36A, Equipment-Cruisers from \$11,674. for two cruisers to \$17,493. for three cruisers. Motion seconded by Rep. Mansfield. Discussion then ensued on whether to purchase the cruisers locally or to the state vendor. The Sheriff stated that he could buy the cruisers locally for \$80.00 more than the state bid per car and that service could then be obtained locally. Chairman Hanson called for the motion which failed, five voting in the affirmative, eight voting in the negative. Rep. Nighswander moved that the cruisers be purchased locally, seconded by Rep. Hildreth, Chairman Hanson questioned Mr. MacKissock as to the correct amount of money for that, Mr. MacKissock replied \$11,822., motion carried. Rep. Randall moved to amend page 5 by striking out line 36A, Equipment-Cruisers in the amount of \$11,822., line 36C, Equipment-Miscellaneous by striking out the amount of \$800.00, line 36D, Equipment-Office Machines by striking out the amount of \$1,000., and line 36F, Equipment-Communications in the amount of \$2,550., with the amounts to be funded from Revenue Sharing Funds rather than from the tax rate. Motion was seconded by Rep. French. Discussion followed. Rep. Dionne moved the question. Motion to limit debate carried. Rep. Randall's motion was then voted on and carried unanimously. Rep. Dionne moved that adoption of page 5, excluding line 4140:00, Sheriff's salaries, until page seven was considered. Motion seconded by Rep. Sabow, motion carried. Rep. Nighswander questioned. Rep. Beard questioned. Discussion followed. Chairman Hanson called for the motion on page 5 that it be adopted as amended. Motion carried.

Chairman Hanson opened discussion on page 6. Rep. Randall moved

that page 6 be adopted as printed, seconded by Rep. French. Discussion followed. Rep. Mansfield moved the question. Limitation of debate carried. Motion to adopt page 6 carried.

Rep. French moved that page 7 be adopted as printed, seconded by Rep. Sanders. Rep. Nighswander stated that she was uncomfortable in a discussion of names attached to salaries, and would prefer not to do so. Discussion followed. Rep. Sanders withdrew her second to Rep. French's motion and Rep. French withdrew his motion.

Rep. Dionne moved that on page 5, Sheriff's department, line 4140:00 Sheriff's salaries be accepted. Motion seconded by Reps. Sabbow and Randall. Rep. Dionne then moved to amend his motion to withhold an amount equal to 9 months salary for the position of Assistant Sheriff and remove \$11,102. from the funding for the Assistant Sheriff. Rep. Bordeau seconded the motion. Discussion followed. Chairman Hanson called for a vote on Rep. Dionne's amendment, six voting in the affirmative, eight voting in the negative, the amendment was defeated.

Chairman Hanson called for the motion to adopt the line Sheriff's salaries on page 5. Motion carried.

Chairman Hanson opened discussion on page 8, Rep. Bordeau moved to accept page 8 as printed, seconded by Rep. Nighswander, voted in the affirmative.

Chairman Hanson opened discussion on page 9. Rep. Dionne moved that page 9 be accepted as printed, seconded by Rep. Mansfield, voted in the affirmative.

Chairman Hanson opened discussion on page 10. Rep. French moved that page 10 be accepted as printed, seconded by Rep. Randall, voted affirmatively.

Chairman Hanson opened discussion on page 11. Rep. French moved that page 11 be accepted as printed, seconded by Rep. Randall, voted in the affirmative.

Rep. Nighswander moved postponement of consideration of pages 12 and 13 until after the discussion of the County Home budget as they are summary pages. Motion seconded by Rep. Beard, motion carried.

Chairman Hanson opened discussion on page 14. Rep. Beard moved that

page 14 be accepted as printed, seconded by Rep. Mansfield. Rep. Nighswander moved to amend line 5100:010, Payroll from \$61,997.80 to \$63,593.00. Motion seconded by Rep. Beard, extended discussion followed. Rep. Dionne moved the question. Discussion followed and Rep. Dionne withdrew his motion. Chairman Hanson recessed the meeting at 9:25 P.M. to reconvene at 9:30 P.M.

Meeting reconvened at 9:30 P.M. with Chairman Hanson reading the contract clause in the contract permitting changes. Extensive discussion followed. Chairman Hanson called for the motion and the motion carried.

Rep. Nighswander moved to adopt footnotes 1 and 2 of page 14, motion seconded by Rep. Beard, motion carried. Chairman Hanson moved to accept page 14 as amended as offered by Rep. Beard, motion carried.

Chairman Hanson opened discussion on page 15 and Rep. Nighswander moved that page 15 be accepted as printed, seconded by Rep. Sabbow. Discussion followed. Rep. Randall moved to amend line 5110:920, Outside Firms to delete \$4,000. for paving the parking lot, and underline 5110:970 to delete the rototiller, the steam cleaner and the snake so that 5110:970, Equipment would be \$200.00 rather than \$2,800. Motion seconded by Rep. Sabbow, discussion followed. Rep. Dionne moved the question. Chairman Hanson called for the vote on the Randall amendment and the motion carried.

Rep. Randall then moved a further amendment to page 15, line 5110:820, Building Repairs to reduce the amount of \$9,048. by \$5,000. to eliminate the cost of retubeing the boiler. Motion seconded by Rep. Dionne. The amendment carried. Chairman Hanson then called for the adoption of page 15 as amended and it was voted in the affirmative.

Rep. Beard moved to reconsider page 15, seconded by Rep. Nighswander, motion carried.

Rep. Beard moved to amend line 5110:650, Fuel, Heating Oil from \$28,000. to \$34,000. Motion seconded by Rep. Bowler, general discussion followed. Motion carried.

Rep. Mansfield moved to adopt page 15 as amended, seconded by Rep. French, motion carried.

Chairman Hanson opened discussion on page 16, Rep. Nighswander moved that page 16 be adopted as printed, seconded by Rep. Dionne, motion

carried.

Rep. French moved that page 17 be accepted as printed, seconded by Rep. Randall. Rep. Nighswander moved to amend line 5140:170, Inservice Education from \$2,000. to \$3,000. Motion seconded by Rep. Beard, discussion followed. Motion carried.

Rep. Nighswander moved to restore line 5140:980, Restorative Nursing Aide from \$0 to \$7,100. Seconded by Rep. Bowler, extended discussion followed. Rep. Nighswander moved the question, the motion carried. Rep. Dionne questioned line 5140:970 for a refreshment of what \$391.00 consisted of. Chairman Hanson called the vote on page 17 as amended and the motion carried.

Rep. Nighswander moved that page 18 be adopted as printed, seconded by Rep. Dionne, motion carried.

Rep. French moved that page 19 be adopted as printed, seconded by Rep. Dionne, motion carried.

Rep. Nighswander moved that page 20 be adopted as printed, seconded by Rep. Beard, motion carried.

Rep. Nighswander moved that page 21 be accepted as printed, seconded by Rep. Dionne, discussion followed. Rep. Nighswander moved to amend line 5190:550, Gasoline Purchases from \$0 to \$200., seconded by Rep. Beard, discussion followed. As a result of discussion, Rep. Nighswander withdrew her motion and Rep. Beard withdrew his second. Page 21 was then voted as printed.

Chairman Hanson then opened discussion on page 22 and Rep. French moved it be accepted as printed, seconded by Rep. Dionne, motion carried.

Rep. Nighswander moved that page 23 be accepted as printed, seconded by Rep. Dionne, motion carried.

Chairman Hanson called a recess at 10:15 P.M. to permit Mr. MacKissock to come up with revised figures.

Chairman Hanson reconvened the meeting at 10:25 P.M. Mr. MacKissock reported the following changes: Line 5100:000, Administrative change from \$260,587.80 to \$262,183.; line 5110:000, Property and Related Expenses change from \$117,777.00 to \$112,177.00; Line 5140:000, Nursing,

change from \$507,258.00 to \$515,358. Total expenses change from \$1,323,578.80 to \$1,327,674.; Line Gross Budget funds change from \$486,843.80 to \$487,935.; Net Budget funds change from \$453,843.80 to \$457,939. Rep. French moved to accept page 12 as amended, seconded by Rep. Mansfield, motion carried. No changes were made to page 13 so it remains as printed.

Rep. French moved to adopt page 24 of the budget, seconded by Rep. Randall. Chairman Hanson said before discussing page 24 we should move to page 25 to delete the footnote, line 6950 Automobile which was not an Executive Committee recommendation. Discussion then followed on page 24. Rep. Mansfield moved to restore the \$5,500. figure to the line Overtime, Yardtime, Meetings, seconded by Reps. Dionne and Beard. Extended discussion followed. The amendment carried.

Rep. Dionne moved that the line Guard Training be changed from \$2,000. to \$4,434. The amendment was seconded by Rep. Mansfield, extensive discussion followed. Chairman Hanson called for a vote on the amendment and the amendment was adopted.

Rep. Bowler moved to amend line 8100, Maintenance and Repairs from \$2,500. to \$5,000., motion seconded by Rep. Mansfield. Discussion followed, amendment adopted.

Rep. Bowler's amendment carried. Rep. French moved that page 24 be adopted as amended, seconded by Rep. Randall, voted in the affirmative.

Rep. French moved that page 25 be adopted as printed, motion seconded by Rep. Randall, motion carried.

Chairman Hanson then called for discussion of page 25. Motion to adopt page 25 with the new total figure of \$354,724.72 be adopted was voted.

Rep. Dionne moved to accept page 26 as printed, seconded by Rep. Randall. Rep. Mansfield moved to amend to remove \$90,000. in lines 9160, Principal Jail Note \$25,000, 9170:00 Principal-Home Bond for \$15,000., and 9175:000 Principal-Courthouse Bond \$50,000. and put those amounts into Revenue Sharing. Motion seconded by Rep. Beard, extensive discussion followed. Chairman Hanson called for the vote on the amendment and the amendment was adopted nine in favor, five opposed. Rep. Beard moved to fund the Lakes Region Twin Rivers Coordinating Council in the amount of \$7,500. from Revenue Sharing funds, seconded by Rep. Hildreth, motion carried. Rep. Nighswander moved that \$4,703. be included in the budget for family planning. Motion seconded by Rep. Hildreth, extensive discussion

followed. The Nighswander amendment carried.

Rep. Dionne moved to put the \$4,703. appropriation into the Revenue Sharing agenda. Motion seconded by Rep. Randall, vote was eight in favor, six opposed. Motion carried on acceptance of page 26 as amended.

Chairman Hanson opened discussion on pages 27 and 28 together. Rep. French moved that pages 27 and 28 be adopted as printed, motion seconded by Rep. Mansfield, discussion followed. Motion carried. Rep. French moved acceptance of pages 29 and 30 of the budget, motion seconded by Rep. Randall. There was no discussion, motion carried.

Chairman Hanson called for a recess at 11:25 P.M. so that the budget totals could be determined. Chairman Hanson reconvened the meeting at 11:30 and turned the chair over to Rep. Randall. Rep. Hanson then moved that all monies appropriated in all line items in the 1979 Belknap County Budget shall be non-transferable without the express approval of the Executive Committee or the full Delegation in accordance with RSA 2414. Motion seconded by Rep. French. Discussion followed. Motion carried.

Rep. Hanson moved that the clerk or the chairman of the Delegation be hereby authorized to make any purely technical and-or administrative changes in the Belknap County Budget in order to finalize the finished draft to prepare the document for transmission to the State Department of Revenue Administration. Motion seconded by Rep. Mansfield, there was no discussion. Motion carried.

Rep. Hanson moved that the county treasurer be hereby authorized to borrow up to a total sum of \$2,111,759.85 during 1979 in anticipation of taxes. Motion seconded by Rep. Dionne. There was no discussion, the motion carried.

Rep. Hanson moved that the delegation hereby direct the county treasurer to invest the monies which are borrowed in anticipation of taxes in order to promote the highest possible rate of return. Motion seconded by Rep. French. There was no discussion, the motion carried.

Rep. Hanson moved that the following resolution be adopted: Resolved that the budget for the County of Belknap for the period beginning January 1, 1979 to December 31, 1979 as set forth in the budget prepared by the clerk, pages 1 through 30, be adopted, the appropriations total being as follows:

General Government

\$ 116,195.80

Register of Deeds	105,717.86
Sheriff's Dept.	350,262.40
Courthouse Maintenance	105,219.80
Superior Court	290,878.00
Welfare (Public)	325,500.00
Belknap County Home (net)	457,939.00
Belknap County Jail (net)	354,724.72
Miscellaneous Budgets	85,680.00
Budgeted debt	105,690.00
Lakes Region Fire Dispatch	123,955.00
Cooperative Extension Service	60,537.00
Total Expenses	\$2,482,289.58

and anticipated unrestricted revenue to office at the same shall be \$357,904.00 with year-end surplus of \$12,625.73, leaving a balance to be raised by taxation of \$2,111,759.85. Motion seconded by Reps. French and Dionne. Discussion followed, motion carried.

Chairman Hanson reported that the Commissioners had scheduled a Revenue Sharing Hearing in approximately one week and that the delegation Revenue Sharing Hearing will follow the Commissioners' hearing by one week.

Rep. Morin offered a motion of thanks to Chairman Hanson for the manner in which he had conducted the budget hearings and the success of same. The general question and answer followed during which Rep. Sanders asked to be recorded in the negative on the budget and the clerk was so directed by Chairman Hanson.

Rep. Nighswander moved to adjourn, seconded by Rep. Dionne, adjourned at 11:43 P.M.

CLIFFORD W. BIRCH, Clerk

**BELKNAP COUNTY DELEGATION
BELKNAP COUNTY CONVENTION
REVENUE SHARING HEARING
Belknap County Courthouse - Laconia, N.H.
April 23, 1979 - 7:30 P.M.**

Present were: Representatives Beard, Birch, Bordeau, Bowler, Dionne,

French, Hanson, Mansfield, Matheson, Randall.

Also Present: Commissioners Chertok and Marsh.

Chairman Hanson opened the hearing by asking Commissioner Chertok the status of the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund. Commissioner Chertok reported a balance of \$274,626.45 as of April 23rd, 1979.

Rep. French questioned when the Revenue Sharing balance had to be spent. Mr. MacKissock replied that it had to be spent by June, 1980. Rep. Randall asked if \$10,000. was the only amount encumbered. The reply was that it had been moved already from the beginning balance.

Chairman Hanson opened the discussion on the Commissioners request as listed on page 4 of the agenda. Commissioner Chertok then listed the request as follows:

Sheriff's Dept.	\$16,172.
Maintenance Dept.	9,900.
Dietary Dept.	2,000.
Nursing Dept.	7,100.
Floor Machine (Housekeeping)	1,575.
Movie projector (Activities)	900.
Total County Home Depts.	\$21,475.
 Total Jail	 \$ 5,000.
Debt-Jail Note	25,000.
Home Bond	15,000.
Courthouse Bond	50,000.
Outside-Twin Rivers	7,500.
Family Planning	4,703.
Total Revenue Sharing	\$144,850.

Commissioner Chertok reported that at the Commissioner's April 11th, 1979 hearing, four people spoke in favor of the appropriations, and they were Sheriff Alden, March Merrill, Tom Myatt and Mr. Hamel.

Rep. French questioned the amount of the paving, and also requested a breakdown on the Century Tub, six wheel chairs and mimeo machine.

Rep. Randall requested a breakdown of all the individual items requested.

Rep. Mansfield questioned. Rep. Beard questioned. Rep. Bowler

questioned.

There being no further questions or discussion, Chairman Hanson closed the public hearing and moved into Executive Session to discuss the agenda.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Rep. French moved to accept the agenda as presented, seconded by Rep. Bowler, motion carried. Rep. French moved that the delegation require a year-end audit of Twin River Human Services Coordinating Council and Family Planning in the year of receipt and in the year of spending. Motion seconded by Rep. Dionne, discussion ensued. Motion carried.

Chairman Hanson then opened discussion on the listed agenda for the delegation meeting, going to item 3A.

Following a discussion, Rep. Beard moved that item 3A of the agenda totaling \$12,342.12 be returned to the Revenue Sharing account. Motion seconded by Rep. Mansfield, motion carried.

Chairman Hanson opened discussion on item 3B of the agenda, discussion followed.

Rep. Randall moved that \$2,250. be transferred from the capital reserve account, \$2,000. of which would be for the wall and \$250 of which would be for one and one quarter calculators. Discussion followed. Rep. Randall explained that the current price of a calculator was \$200. and the extra \$50. was to make up the difference in price as authorized by the county delegation at a previous meeting. Motion seconded by Rep. Bowler, motion carried.

Chairman Hanson opened the discussion on paragraph 3C of the agenda. Commissioner Marsh explained the request. Chairman Hanson questioned. Rep. French questioned. Rep. Bowler questioned. Rep. Randall moved that the delegation approve and authorize payment of a 1978 bill from Albert Stock, P.E. on standby power for the County Home in the amount of \$812. to be drawn from the capital reserve account. Rep. Beard seconded the motion, the motion carried.

Chairman Hanson opened discussion paragraph 3D. Chairman Hanson explained. Commissioner Marsh explained. Rep. Dionne questioned. Rep. Bowler questioned. Commissioner Chertok explained. Rep. Mansfield questioned. Chairman Hanson questioned. Rep. Randall questioned.

Rep. Beard moved that the delegation transfer from the general fund to the Commissioners account up to \$300. to hire an attorney to represent the County's interests in the Termination of Parental Rights case. Motion seconded by Rep. Bowler, motion carried.

Chairman Hanson opened discussion on paragraph 3E and requested one of the Commissioners to discuss it. The subject was discussed by Commissioner Marsh. Rep. Bowler questioned.

Rep. French moved that under paragraph 3E, the delegation appropriate up to \$800. to fund an appeal to the Supreme Court of a decision against the county made by the Public Employee Labor Relations Board of New Hampshire relative to the County negotiations with the Sheriff's department. Motion was seconded by Rep. Beard, motion carried. Rep. Randall and Bowler wished to be recorded as opposed to the question.

Chairman Hanson opened the discussion on paragraph 3F, and called on the Sheriff to speak to the proposal. Rep. Randall questioned. Rep. Beard questioned.

Rep. Dionne moved that the delegation authorize the Sheriff to sell approximately \$1,500. worth of confiscated weapons and request the delegation authorize him to use this money to purchase three new light bars and P.A. systems with sirens built into the unit at a cost of approximately \$400. each with the balance to be obtained from the highway safety fund. The balance of the money to be used to purchase three new weapons.

Motion was seconded by Rep. Mansfield, motion carried.

Chairman Hanson moved on to item 3G. Commissioner Marsh discussed the subject. Chairman Hanson questioned. Rep. Randall moved that the delegation authorize the transfer of \$565. from the anticipated welfare fund surplus to cover a bill for funeral expenses received from the county home. Motion seconded by Rep. French, motion carried.

Chairman Hanson noted that that concluded the written agenda but that he had another item to discuss. He noted that last year the members of the delegation received a copy of the Whittemore-Abelson report on the county home, and that those new to the delegation should get a report from the County Commissioners office. He stated that he was requesting Mr. Whittemore to come before the delegation to discuss the report and ask for a designation of a suitable date. Chairman Hanson stated that he would try to set up a meeting with Mr. Whittemore for the week of May 7.

Rep. French stated that he was concerned about Mr. MacKissock not being able to keep up with his workload and ask for a warning in time to obtain additional help.

Rep. Randall stated that he was interested in the County Home accounting, moving to the Courthouse under Mr. MacKissock.

Rep. Birch brought up the proposition of holding tape recordings for a period of time for reference and the delegation appeared to be unanimously in favor of the proposition and compensating Rep. Birch for the cost of the tapes.

Rep. French moved to adjourn, seconded by Rep. Dionne, motion carried, adjourned at 9:59 P.M.

CLIFFORD W. BIRCH, Clerk

**BELKNAP COUNTY DELEGATION
BELKNAP COUNTY CONVENTION
Belnap County Courthouse - Laconia, N.H.
May 7, 1979 - 7:30 P.M.**

Present were: Representatives Beard, Birch, Bordeau, Bowler, French, Hanson, Mansfield, Matheson, Morin, Downs, Nighswander, Randall, Roberts, Sabbow and Sanders.

Also present: Commissioners Chertok, Marsh and Sprague.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Hanson at 7:37 P.M. for the stated purpose of reviewing the Whittemore - Abelson report regarding the proposed expansion of the facilities at the Belnap County Home. Chairman Hanson called on Mr. Whittemore to review and update his May, 1978, report. Mr. Whittemore proceeded to review his report in detail starting from the introduction. Chairman Hanson asked if everybody was familiar with the report, a negative response caused him to count hands of those who needed a copy of the report, 9 copies were needed.

Mr. Whittemore continued to review his report.

During his presentation, Mr. Whittemore was questioned from time to time by Representatives Sanders, Nighswander, Roberts and Beard.

Mr. Whittemore ended his presentation at 8:50 P.M., and Chairman

Hanson opened the floor to discussion and questions. An extensive discussion followed.

Following the extended discussion, Chairman Hanson asked Mr. Whittemore what was the next step for the delegation to follow if action was to be taken for an addition to the nursing home. Mr. Whittemore replied that the first step would be to draw up an application, and after it had been reviewed by the delegation and by the Commissioners, then it would be submitted to the State Health Planning and Resources Office in Concord. That Board would have to examine the application and determine whether it was complete. The Board would then route the application to the other boards involved in the planning process for their approval. Discussion followed. Chairman Hanson then opened the discussion as to how the delegation should proceed as a next step.

A question arose as to who's responsibility it was to initiate the project such as this, whether it was the County Commissioners or the Delegation. It was pointed out that a building committee had been established in the past which was to initiate and follow through on the project in conjunction with both the Commissioners and the County Delegation. It was also pointed out that the final recommendation of the building committee had then to take no further action at that time. It was decided that Chairman Hanson would confer with the Chairman of the Commissioners and re-establish the building committee, giving them a formal charge, and asking them to report back at a given time. An informal consensus of the delegation prevailed.

Representative Roberts moved that the delegation authorize Mr. Charles Whittemore on behalf of Belknap County to proceed with an application for a 44 bed facility as proposed in alternate number three, without consideration of the other two elements of community services or related health services with it for the purposes, if the building committee does decide on the 44 or the 50 as the proposal, if this delegation does not adopt that, we will ask Mr. Whittemore to stop and take whatever consideration the county delegation has adopted.

Discussion followed. The motion was seconded by Rep. Matheson.

Discussion followed. Rep. Roberts withdrew his motion, Rep. Matheson withdrew his second.

After a lengthy discussion, Rep. Sabbow announced that the Gunstock Commissioners would like to meet with the County delegation to discuss their expansion plans, Chairman Hanson stated that the delegation had also

been requested to meet on the retirement situation, that the Sheriff's department contract had been agreed on and should be brought before the delegation, along with some problems on the Winnisquam Fire Department.

Commissioner Sprague also advised Chairman Hanson that the Commissioners wanted to meet with the delegation as soon as possible.

Rep. Randall moved that the meeting be adjourned, seconded by Rep. Sabbow, adjourned at 10:05 P.M.

CLIFFORD W. BIRCH, Clerk

**BELKNAP COUNTY DELEGATION
BELKNAP COUNTY CONVENTION
REVENUE SHARING HEARING
Belknap County Courthouse - Laconia, N.H.
June 4, 1979 - 7:30 p.m.**

Present were: Representatives Beard, Birch, Bordeau, Bowler, Dionne, French, Hanson, Matheson, Downs, Randall, Roberts and Sabbow.

Also present: Commissioners Marsh and Sprague.

Chairman Hanson opened the hearing by asking the Commissioners for a briefing on the items to be considered. Commissioner Sprague responded that they were asking for \$10,165. to purchase a Xerox copier for the Register of Deeds, \$8,000. for the repaving of the Airport parking lot, and \$4,000. for the conversion of the furnace in the courthouse from oil to gas heat. Commissioner Sprague then spoke to the subject. Commissioner Marsh spoke to the subjects. The discussion brought out the fact that the copier would save this cost over a period of 10 years, that the \$8,000. was actually for resealing of the runways and taxiways at the airport and that \$4,000. for conversion of the furnace at the courthouse was not from oil to gas heat but was for a dual fuel conversion permitting either oil or gas to be used. An extensive discussion followed. Rep. Bowler questioned. Rep. Randall questioned. Rep. Roberts questioned. Rep. Beard questioned. Chairman Hanson closed the public hearing at 7:50 P.M., and requested a motion that the delegation go into Executive Session. Motion made by Rep. Beard.

Executive Session

Chairman Hanson asked Mr. MacKissock to go over the balance of the

Revenue Sharing trust fund. Mr. MacKissock went over the balance sheet as presented, and stated that the unappropriated balance available to work with was \$143,606.41. Rep. Roberts questioned future income for the fund. Mr. MacKissock reported that \$108,000. was to come by January 10, 1980.

Chairman Hanson opened consideration of item 1A, the Xerox copier. Rep. Randall questioned the amount of already appropriated funding that could be applied to the purchase price of the copier, and Mr. MacKissock said that would amount to \$2,432., leaving a balance of \$7,733. to be appropriated. After some discussion Rep. Roberts moved that the Belknap County Delegation authorize the appropriation of up to \$10,165. from the Revenue Sharing Fund to be reduced by the balance available in the county appropriated rental fund, minus the maintenance contract for the new copier. Motion seconded by Reps. Randall and Beard, unanimously carried.

Chairman Hanson noted that the amount appropriated for the line item Xerox copier for the Register of Deeds not be used for any other purpose.

Chairman Hanson opened consideration of paragraph 1B, the appropriation of \$8,000. for resealing of the pavement of the runways and requested a motion. Rep. Beard moved that the Belknap County Delegation appropriate \$8,000. from Revenue Sharing Funds for the purpose of resealing the aprons and runways of the Laconia Airport. Motion seconded by Rep. Roberts and Rep. Bowler. Motion passed, but Rep. Randall asked to be recorded as opposed.

Chairman Hanson asked for a motion on item 1C, a \$4,000. appropriation for the conversion of the furnace in the courthouse. Rep. Roberts questioned whether the \$4,000. included the total package. Answer was yes. Rep. Randall moved that the Belknap County Delegation appropriate up to \$4,000. of Revenue Sharing funds for conversion of the furnace in the courthouse from oil to oil and gas heat. Motion seconded by Rep. Matheson, motion carried.

Rep. Roberts commented that the Commissioners should be considering replacing the windowglass in the old courthouse with thermopane units and Chairman Hanson asked the Commissioners to investigate and provide a report at the next Revenue Sharing Hearing. Rep. Roberts also commented that consideration should also be given to repointing the brickwork and granite work on the front of the building which appears to have deteriorated to some degree.

Chairman Hanson opened discussion of paragraph 3, the request of

\$5,000. for the Sheriff Department extradition account. Sheriff Alden reported that he had \$376.48 left in his extradition account with 5 prisoners to transport. Therefore he was asking for an additional appropriation of \$5,000. Rep. Roberts questioned. Rep. Bowler questioned. Discussion followed. Rep. Roberts moved that the Belknap Country Delegation authorize the appropriation of \$5,000. for the sheriff's department in the extradition account, funding to be from anticipated surplus. Motion seconded by Rep. Beard. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Hanson opened discussion on the request of the Sheriff's dept. to set up a contract with the Laconia District Court for bailiff services, requiring the hiring of an additional bailiff. The Sheriff proposes that the contract be set at \$12,500. annually including \$10,000. in salary and \$2,500. in administrative and support services. Chairman Hanson asked the Sheriff to open the discussion. Rep. Dionne questioned. Reps. Roberts, Beard, Dionne, Bowler, French, Bowler questioned. Rep. Dionne moved to table the request. Rep. French seconded the motion. Rep. Roberts questioned the parliamentary procedure. Rep. French withdrew his second. Rep. Dionne withdrew his motion. Rep. French spoke against the appropriation. Rep. Randall moved that the problem be referred to the appropriate subcommittee for investigation and to report back forthwith. Rep. French seconded the motion. Discussion followed. The motion passed and was referred by the Chairman to the law enforcement subcommittee of the delegation.

Chairman Hanson opened consideration of paragraph 5 of the agenda, the results of the SEA negotiations relative to the Sheriff's department. Commissioner Marsh spoke on the subject. Rep. Randall questioned. Rep. Roberts questioned. Extensive discussion followed on paragraph 19.5 of the contract. Rep. Roberts moved that the County Commissioners present to the next meeting of the county delegation a list of more than one consultant with written proposals and estimates of expense to undertake the study. Motion seconded by Rep. Randall. Chairman Hanson commented that he expected June 18th to be the final delegation meeting for the summer, and that the proposal should be submitted to the delegation by that date. Discussion followed. Motion carried.

Chairman Hanson opened consideration of one further item, the replacement of one of the sheriff's department cruisers. Chairman Hanson referred the proposal to the law enforcement subcommittee with a request that they report back at the same time they report on the additional bailiff for the Laconia District Court. Chairman Hanson called on Sheriff Alden for comment. Extended discussion followed. Sheriff Alden was asking for an

appropriation of \$2,500. to purchase a used police type vehicle. Rep. Roberts stated that he had favored the purchase of a new cruiser originally and wanted to know the price of a new one at this time. Sheriff Alden advised that it was \$6,062. Rep. Roberts stated that he would prefer the new cruiser to a used vehicle. He also preferred to put the price of a new cruiser through to Revenue Sharing funds.

Rep. Beard moved to adjourn, motion adequately seconded, motion carried. Adjourned at 9:10 P.M.

CLIFFORD W. BIRCH, Clerk

**BELKNAP COUNTY DELEGATION
BELKNAP COUNTY CONVENTION
REVENUE SHARING HEARING
Belknap County Courthouse - Laconia, N.H.
June 18, 1979 - 7:30 P.M.**

Present were: Representatives Beard, Birch, Bowler, Dionne, French, Hanson, Mansfield, Matheson, Nighswander, Randall, Roberts, Sabbow and Sanders.

Also present: Commissioners Chertok, Marsh and Sprague.

Chairman Hanson opened the meeting and proceeded directly to paragraph 3 of his June 6 letter concerning the county retirement benefits to county employees. He called on the County Commissioners to discuss this program. Commissioner Sprague called on County Attorney McLaughlin to discuss it. County Attorney McLaughlin suggested that the delegation should go into Executive Session for the discussion. Rep. Beard moved that the delegation go into Executive Session. Rep. Roberts suggested taking the other items on the agenda first so Rep. Beard withdrew his motion.

Chairman Hanson asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the delegation. Mrs. Eleanor Merrill addressed the delegation. Sheriff Alden addressed the delegation. Rep. Roberts questioned. Rep. Nighswander questioned. Rep. Mansfield questioned. Rep. Randall questioned. Chairman Hanson asked if anybody else would like to speak from the audience and Mrs. Perly Beach questioned. Virginia Atkinson discussed the program. Annie Swenson discussed the program. Rep. Nighswander questioned. Sheriff Alden commented further. Rep. Roberts questioned Sheriff Alden.

Chairman Hanson moved to paragraph one of the agenda concerning a bailiff for the Laconia District Court and a request for a replacement cruiser for the Sheriff's department. He called on Rep. Dionne to report which Rep. Dionne did in detail. Rep. Beard discussed the subject. Rep. French discussed the subject. Rep. Randall questioned. Judge Huot responded. Rep. Randall questioned again, and then Reps. Sanders, Roberts, Bowler, Nighswander, French, Beard, Mansfield, Roberts, Hanson, Randall, all questioned. Commissioner Sprague commented. Rep. Roberts discussed the subject. Rep. Nighswander questioned. Chairman Hanson called for a motion. Rep. Roberts moved to acknowledge and authorize the hire of such person with full fees and benefits and all associated costs thereto being provided by the Laconia District Court, total amount not to exceed \$12,500. The motion was seconded by Rep. Beard. Rep. Dionne rose to a point of order and spoke against the motion. Rep. Sanders spoke against the motion. Rep. Randall spoke on administrative procedure. Rep. Dionne again spoke against the motion. Rep. Roberts spoke in favor of security in general. Rep. Beard spoke in favor. Rep. Sabbow spoke against the motion. Rep. Bowler spoke against the motion. Rep. French spoke against this being included in the County budget. Rep. Nighswander spoke against the motion. Rep. Randall spoke a second time against the motion. Commissioner Chertok spoke against the motion. Chairman Hanson called for the question. Rep. Roberts asked for a roll call. Voting in favor were Beard, Birch, French, Mansfield, Matheson, Randall and Roberts. Voting against were Bowler, Dionne, Nighswander, Sabbow and Sanders. The motion carried 7 to 5.

Chairman Hanson opened discussion on the request by the Sheriff for a new cruiser. The Sheriff was requesting authority to purchase a second hand used vehicle. The Sheriff spoke to the subject. Rep. Sabbow questioned. Rep. Beard commented. Rep. Dionne questioned. Chairman Hanson called for a motion and Rep. Sabbow moved to expend \$3,000. for the purchase of a used vehicle, funding to be from funds not otherwise appropriated. The motion was seconded by Rep. Beard and passed unanimously.

Chairman Hanson opened discussion on paragraph 2 of the agenda which was the proposal offered by the Commissioners regarding the study of the Sheriff's department requested by the collective bargaining agreement. Commissioner Marsh spoke in favor of the CLH proposal. Rep. Hanson questioned. Rep. Randall questioned. Rep. Roberts questioned. Rep. Nighswander questioned. Rep. Roberts questioned. Rep. Nighswander questioned. Rep. French moved that up to \$2,500. be appropriated for hiring of CLH from funds not otherwise appropriated. Seconded by Rep. Sanders,

passed unanimously.

Chairman Hanson opened discussion on an item not on the agenda, namely the parental rights case. Commissioner Marsh spoke on the subject, and then turned the floor over to Attorney Sessler, attorney for the Commissioners, who spoke further on the subject. Rep. Hanson questioned, Rep. Roberts questioned. Rep. Bowler questioned. Commissioner Chertok commented. Rep. Roberts asked a further question. Rep. Hanson spoke on the subject. Chairman Hanson asked for a motion. Rep. Roberts moved that the sum of \$4,214.50 be paid from funds not otherwise appropriated. Seconded by Reps. French and Sabbow, motion passed.

Chairman Hanson asked for a motion that the delegation to into Executive Session. Rep. Beard made the motion, seconded by Rep. Mansfield. Motion carried. The Commissioners and Mr. MacKissock were invited to remain. Chairman Hanson called on County Attorney McLaughlin to discuss paragraph 3, the county's plan to offer retirement benefits to county employees. County Attorney McLaughlin's presentation was followed by a question and answer period. Chairman Hanson closed the discussion. No action was taken by the delegation.

Chairman Hanson stated that Rep. Sabbow had a matter to bring up relative to the Gunstock Area in that Commissioner Edward Jerome had resigned because he was being transferred. Rep. Sabbow suggested Mr. Louff as a possible replacement where Mr. Louff had come in second in the most recent balloting. Rep. Dionne spoke on the question. Rep. Sanders spoke on the problem. Chairman Hanson referred the problem to the Gunstock Area sub-committee of the delegation to review the statutes and come in with a recommendation. Rep. Sabbow reminded the delegation of the upcoming ladies night at the Gunstock Area on July 9. Chairman Hanson recognized Rep. Randall who wished the Chairman all the best in his upcoming marriage on June 30, which the delegation did enthusiastically. Chairman Hanson accepted a motion to adjourn, adjourned at 10:37 P.M.

CLIFFORD W. BIRCH, Clerk

**BELKNAP COUNTY DELEGATION
BELKNAP COUNTY CONVENTION
REVENUE SHARING HEARING
Belnap County Courthouse - Laconia, N.H.
August 20, 1979 - 7:30 P.M.**

Present were: Representatives Beard, Birch, Bordeau, Bowler, Dionne,

French, Hanson, Hildreth, Mansfield, Matheson, Downs, Nighswander, Randall, Roberts, Sabbow and Sanders.

Also present: Commissioners Chertok, Marsh and Sprague.

Chairman Hanson opened the hearing by asking the Commissioners to make their presentation on 1) the master plan study on the County Home. Commissioner Sprague reported that the \$3,000. was for a complete master plan study of the county home including heat and energy conservation study. Rep. French questioned. Rep. Roberts questioned. Commissioner Marsh discussed. Rep. Nighswander questioned. Rep. Bowler questioned. Commissioner Chertok discussed the subject. Further questions by Reps. Nighswander, Roberts, Sanders, French, and Hanson. There being no further questions, Chairman Hanson closed discussion on paragraph 1.

Chairman Hanson opened discussion on paragraph 2 by requesting the Commissioners to speak to the subject. Subject was presented by Commissioner Marsh, who reported that current bids for performing the work were double the previous appropriation and that this was merely an additional \$4,000. to allow acceptance of the lowest bid. Chairman Hanson questioned. Rep. Nighswander questioned. There being no further questions, Chairman Hanson closed discussion on paragraph 2.

Chairman Hanson moved to discussion of paragraph 3, chimney repair at the county home, the Commissioners requesting \$2,000. Commissioner Marsh made the presentation on the subject and stated that most recently they had found the \$2,000 amount too high and that it could be reduced to \$1,000. Rep. Beard, French, Bowler, and Hanson questioned Commissioner Marsh. There being no further questions, Chairman Hanson closed the discussion on paragraph 3.

Chairman Hanson opened discussion on paragraph 4, county unemployment insurance, amount needed \$12,000. Commissioner Chertok made the presentation, and said that the county could choose to be either self-insured, or to join the New Hampshire Municipal Association Plan which would cost \$12,000. for the initial payment covering the period of now to January 1. Reps. Hanson, Sanders, Roberts, French, Bowler, and Randall questioned with all three Commissioners responding. There being no further questions, Chairman Hanson closed the discussion on paragraph 4.

Chairman Hanson opened discussion on paragraph 5, miscellaneous repairs at the courthouse, \$5,000., and Commissioner Marsh made the presentation. The miscellaneous items include \$1,800. for roof flashing, \$100.

for repairing the entrance way, \$1,000. for pointing the front brick, and \$1,000. for upstairs storm windows. Rep. Roberts commented that he felt no money should be appropriated for storm windows upstairs as all of the courthouse windows should be replaced with thermopane windows. Rep. French discussed the subject. Rep. Randall questioned the balance in the Revenue Sharing Funds which Mr. MacKissock reported at \$164,156.31. Rep. Nighswander questioned. Through discussion with the Commissioners and the delegation, the final total amount being requested at this hearing was reduced to \$25,000. There being no further questions, Chairman Hanson closed the discussion on paragraph 5.

Chairman Hanson then opened the hearing to public discussion. Mr. Robert Sederquist discussed the county home chimney and the subject of enemployment compensation. Rep. Bowler questioned. Rep. Randall questioned. Commissioner Chertok commented on a subject. Rep. Randall questioned again. Rep. Roberts discussed the subject. Rep. Bowler questioned. Rep. Randall discussed seasonal employees. There being no further questions, Chairman Hanson closed the public hearing and opened the Executive Session.

Chairman Hanson proceeded to open paragraph 1 to discussion and Rep. Beard moved to appropriate up to \$3,000. from Revenue Sharing funds for a master plan study of the county home. Motion was seconded by Reps. Sabbow and Sanders. Reps. Sanders and Roberts discussed the subject. Reps. Nighswander and Bowler questioned. Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Hanson moved on to paragraph 2, paving at the county home and asked for a motion. Rep. French moved that a sum not to exceed \$4,000. be appropriated from Revenue Sharing funds for paving at the county home. Rep. Matheson seconded, motion passed.

Chairman Hanson moved on to paragraph 3, chimney repair at the County Home and requested a motion. Rep. Nighswander moved that a sum not to exceed \$1,000. be appropriated from Revenue Sharing funds for chimney repair at the county home. Motion seconded by Rep. Beard, motion passed.

Chairman Hanson opened discussion of paragraph 4, county unemployment insurance, and requested a motion. Rep. Randall moved that a sum not to exceed \$12,000. be appropriated from Revenue Sharing funds for county unemployment insurance with the recommendation that it be taken out of the New Hampshire Municipal Association. Rep. French seconded the motion, Rep. Sanders wanted a review of the contract by the delegation.

Rep. Roberts discussed the subject. Rep. Nighswander and Bowler questioned. Motion passed.

Chairman Hanson moved to paragraph 5, miscellaneous repairs at the courthouse and opened discussion. Rep. Roberts discussed the subject in detail, recommending the appropriation of a sufficient amount to correct the flashing and entrance way problems, deferring the pointing of the bricks and the storm sash for the second floor to a later date so that it could be studied further with the aim of doing all of the windows in the building at the same time, and steam cleaning the brickwork before pointing. He then moved to appropriate a sum not to exceed \$2,000. for correcting the flashing problem and the entranceway problem and to be restricted to those two problems only. Motion seconded by Reps. Matheson and Sanders. Rep. Bowler questioned, Rep. Roberts explained. Motion passed.

Chairman Hanson opened discussion of the Sheriff's request for \$6,855. from funds not otherwise appropriated to be used for new radar equipment and to be 100 percent reimbursed. Chairman Hanson called on Sheriff Alden to discuss the subject. Reps. Nighswander and Hildreth questioned. Rep. Roberts moved to authorize the Sheriff's department to encumber the county in the amount of \$6,855. for the purchase of three radar sets to be 100 percent reimbursed by the highway safety agency, funds to be drawn from funds not otherwise appropriated. Motion seconded by Rep. Sanders and motion passed.

Chairman Hanson asked if there was any other business to come before the delegation. Rep. Roberts discussed the unemployment insurance requirement and then moved that the delegation send a letter to our congressional delegation to the effect that the county had to pick up a \$12,000. fee for six month unemployment insurance coverage due to a congressionally mandated law. Rep. Sanders commented, Rep. Nighswander questioned. Rep. Randall seconded the motion. Rep. Nighswander questioned again. Motion passed.

Chairman Hanson asked if there was any further business to come before the delegation and Rep. Sabbow spoke on the Gunstock Area problem of replacing a Commissioner and recommended that it was getting time to advertise for both the replacement Commissioner and a new Commissioner that is required. General discussion followed as to what date to hold the meeting on and it was finally decided that the Chair would select a date and advise the delegation.

Chairman Hanson again asked if there was any additional business to

come before the delegation and Commissioner Sprague stated that the Commissioners needed an amount of \$6,890. to clear up 1978 bills. After discussion, Rep. Sabbow moved that a sum not to exceed \$6,890. be appropriated from funds not otherwise encumbered. Rep. Randall seconded the motion and the motion passed. Rep. Randall spoke on county reports with Rep. Dionne questioning.

The Commissioners requested an Executive Committee meeting. There being no further business, Rep. Dionne moved to adjourn, seconded by Rep. Bordeau, motion passed.

CLIFFORD W. BIRCH, Clerk

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
BELKNAP COUNTY CONVENTION
Belknap County Courthouse - Laconia, N.H.
August 27, 1979 - 7:30 P.M.**

Present were: Representatives Beard, Birch, Dionne, Hanson, Mansfield, Randall, Sabbow and Sanders.

Also present: Commissioners Chertok and Marsh.

Chairman Randall opened the meeting with the subject of Old Age Assistance. He stated we had appropriated \$288,000., that \$105,000 had been expended which is 37 percent through the end of June and that he would let the Commissioners explain what the problem was. Commissioner Marsh explained that the \$105,000. expenditure shown was actually catching up on 1978 expenditures and that the state has just billed them for current expenditures for the six month period in the amount of \$126,000. To catch up, Commissioner Marsh said he thought that it would probably mean \$52,000. to be appropriated from anticipated surplus. Rep. Beard questioned. Rep. Sanders questioned. Commissioner Chertok discussed the subject, saying that the Commissioners only wanted the Executive Committee to be warned of what to look for in the future. Rep. Beard and Mansfield questioned.

No action was taken.

Chairman Randall moved on to discussion of a new way of handling the laundry at the county home. It would involve transfer of funds from a payroll account line item in the laundry department to the purchasing

department in order to have an outside laundry do the work. Mr. Hamel pointed out that the outside laundry would do linens only while the balance of the occupants laundry would be done by the county home laundry department. Rep. Sanders questioned. Rep. Beard asked about the reduction in employees which would be four. Rep. Sanders questioned again. Commissioner Chertok discussed the problem. Rep. Sanders, Randall, and Beard questioned. Mr. Hamel stated that two bidders and each bid was \$600. per week and that funding for the trial period would be by taking \$9,700. out of the payroll account, and \$500. out of the propane gas account. Rep. Beard moved to authorize the Commissioners to initiate an up to 17 week trial period for linen service rental to be funded by transfer of \$9,700. from the payroll account and \$500. from the propane gas account into a new account to be set up by the administrator after discussion with the auditor. Motion seconded by Rep. Sabbow, motion passed.

Chairman Randall opened discussion on several items in the Sheriff's budget which were overbudget, there being a \$132.12 overage in the cruiser repair account, communications maintenance overage of \$307.12, and a uniform overage of \$313.19, which will be partially offset by reimbursement by the court. Reps. Sanders, Beard, Commissioners Chertok and Marsh, Reps. Dionne, Randall, Birch, and Wilson all were involved in a panel discussion of the overages.

The sheriff not being present and able to discuss the overages Chairman Randall called another meeting of the Executive committee to be held at 2100 hours on Tuesday, September 4, immediately following the regular County delegation meeting in the Courthouse. Chairman Randall opened discussion on the subject of a new typewriter for the Register of Deeds office. The typewriter to be replaced is beyond economical repair so Mr. MacKissock suggested taking \$850. out of line item 4120-365 and transfer to line item 4120-361. Rep. Sanders questioned. Rep. Sabbow moved that the transfer be made, seconded by Rep. Mansfield, motion passed.

There being no other business to come before the meeting, Rep. Mansfield moved to adjourn, seconded by Rep. Beard, motion passed.

CLIFFORD W. BIRCH, Clerk

**BELKNAP COUNTY DELEGATION
BELKNAP COUNTY CONVENTION
Belknep County Courthouse - Laconia, N.H.
September 4, 1979 - 7:40 P.M.**

Present were: Representatives Beard, Birch, Bordeau, Bowler, French, Hanson, Mansfield, Downs, Nighswander, Randall, Roberts, Sabbow and Sanders.

Also present: Gunstock Area Commissioner Charles Crawford, Belknep County Commissioner Norman Marsh.

Chairman Hanson opened the meeting by requesting Gunstock Area Commissioner Crawford to discuss and make the presentation on the Gunstock Area Commissioners request for authority to borrow up to \$200,000. upon the credit line of the county. Commissioner Crawford stated that the area commissioners wished to extend the south slope T-bar lift, and install a chair lift on Gunshy. He stated he felt cash flow would easily take care of the debt service and that these were the two major steps to be undertaken at the present. Rep. Bowler questioned the breakdown and Commissioner Crawford stated that \$155,000. was for the lifts, \$45,000. for burying all utility lines underground. Part of the \$45,000., 50 percent, would be funded by H.C.R.S. funds. However, the length of time required to receive the funds ran up to twelve months, the full amount has to be appropriated at this time. Rep. Nighswander questioned. Reps. French and Sanders questioned. Rep. Roberts discussed the subject. Reps. Randall, Roberts, Bowler, Beard questioned. Area manager Hegi stated that if they could obtain a 20 year note for the \$200,000. amount, it would only increase annual debt service by \$10,000. to \$15,000., depending upon the interest rate. Rep. Sanders questioned. Rep. Beard questioned. Rep. Nighswander questioned. Rep. Randall gave a detail financial breakdown of the effect of this requested appropriation would have on annual debt service payment and the liability-equity ratio. There being no further discussion or comments or questions, Chairman Hanson asked for a motion. Rep. Sabbow moved that the Gunstock Area Commissioners be authorized to borrow up to \$200,000. upon the credit line of the county, with such bonds or notes to be for a period not to exceed 20 years from the date of issue. Motion seconded by Rep. Beard. Chairman Hanson suggested that these such funds be defined and asked for an amendment to the effect. Rep. Roberts moved that the emotion amendment would read the funds to be used A) for the extension of the existing lift and replacement of rope tow with a new surface lift and B) complete the placing of all utility lines underground within the base area. Rep. Bowler seconded the amendment. Rep. Nighswander questioned. Rep.

Roberts and French discussed the subject. There being no further questions or discussion, Chairman Hanson called for the vote on the Roberts amendment. The amendment was voted unanimously. Chairman Hanson then called for a vote on the Sabbow motion as amended and the motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Hanson called for any other business to come before the delegation, and Commissioner Marsh handed out copies of a letter from Dudley, Walsh and Moyer concerning the nursing home boiler plan-architectural study dated September 4, 1979. Commissioner Marsh stated that the Commissioners had just received a letter and having not had an opportunity to study it and he was not entirely satisfied with the proposal. He stated he wanted to pursue the subject further before taking any action. This met with the delegation's approval.

Rep. Roberts stated that he wanted a meeting of the Courthouse sub-committee in the near future.

October 22, 1979 was a date selected for the delegation to meet to select new Gunstock Area Commissioners.

Rep. Mansfield moved to adjourn, seconded by Rep. French, adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

CLIFFORD W. BIRCH, Clerk

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
BELKNAP COUNTY CONVENTION
Belknap County Courthouse - Laconia, N.H.
September 4, 1979 - 8:55 P.M.**

Present were: Representatives Beard, Birch, French, Hanson, Mansfield, Randall, Roberts, Sabbow and Sanders.

Also present: Commissioners Chertok and Marsh and Sheriff Alden.

Chairman Randall opened the discussion of the overages in the Sheriff's department budget by distributing summary sheets covering the first six months of the year and copies of a recommended motion to be voted upon. He called on Sheriff Alden to discuss the subject. He selected uniform expense as his first subject for discussion. Each person by contract has a \$200. a year uniform allowance. If the amount is not all used up in the purchase of uniforms, the balance is paid to the person in cash. Rep. French questioned.

He stated his problem was that he has 18 people which at \$200. each amounts to \$3,600. and the delegation only allows him \$3,200. in addition he had to hire another individual for the District Court and the initial uniform cost far exceeds the \$200. annual allowance. Rep. Sanders questioned. Rep. Roberts questioned the \$1,307.12 shown as expended on communications maintenance and Sheriff Alden estimated that he needed \$1,098.00 to finish out the year in the communication-maintenance account. Rep. Mansfield questioned the extradition and travel account. Sheriff Alden advised that the previous additional appropriation of \$5,000. had solved the problem in that account. Chairman Randall commented. Rep. Sanders asked if the items could be taken in order as they were listed. Rep. French asked for the initial uniform cost for a new man and was told \$400.

Chairman Randall then moved to take up the expenses line by line. He stated the salary account presented no problem and that the communications-maintenance had already be explained. Rep. Sanders questioned. The Sheriff replied that the old sets were continually failing and having to be repaired and that the only solution was to buy new ones and accordingly he will ask for new ones next year. Rep. Sabbow questioned. Rep. Sanders questioned. Rep. French questioned. Sheriff stated that August reimbursements would exceed August expenditures by a substantial amount and when applied to the negative balance in the account would revert to a positive balance and therefore it appears that no additional funding was required for that account. Rep. Roberts questioned cruiser-gas and oil account. The Sheriff explained that the price of gasoline had doubled since the budget was made out. Rep. Sabbow questioned. Rep. Sanders questioned. General discussion followed on the cost of gas.

Chairman Randall moved to cruiser repair account. Sheriff Alden said it was continuing to have to run the old cruisers that pushed the account over the appropriation. Now with the new cruisers, there isn't a problem, however additional funding would be necessary for the balance of the year. Rep. Sanders questioned. Discussion of expenses attributable to each cruiser were discussed. Rep. Sanders questioned.

Chairman Randall moved on to the item telephone which were questioned by Rep. Roberts. Sheriff reported that increased use and increase cost were totally responsible for the overage.

Chairman Randall moved on to the subject of the postage account which the sheriff reported would be over because of increase cost and increase use.

Chairman Randall moved on to the subject of stationary which is also

running over. Rep. Sanders questioned. Sheriff Alden replied that the cost of stationary and printing had gone sky high and there apparently was no way to reduce it.

Chairman Randall moved on to the petty cash account. The Sheriff replied that it was primarily the coffee account in that the department was required by contract to furnish free coffee to the employees. The balance of the account was used in misc. small cash transactions. Extensive discussion followed. There being no other questions or discussion, Chairman Randall asked for a motion. Rep. Mansfield moved that the anticipated surplus of \$7,000. in revenue ie: Sheriff's fees, be used to reduce budget line item deficiencies as follows:

4140:701 Uniforms	\$1,100.
4140:403 Gasoline and Oil	2,500.
4140:404 Cruiser Repair	2,000.
4140:604 Postage	145.
4140:605 Stationary	655.
4140:607 Petty Cash	250.
4140:603 Telephone	350.
Total	\$7,000.

Motion seconded by Rep. Beard and passed unanimously. Rep. French moved to adjourn, seconded by Rep. Beard, passed unanimously.

CLIFFORD W. BIRCH, Clerk

BELKNAP COUNTY DELEGATION

BELKNAP COUNTY CONVENTION

Belknap County Courthouse - Laconia, N.H.

October 22, 1979 - 8:00 P.M.

Present were: Representatives Beard, Birch, Bordeau, Dionne, Hanson, Mansfield, Matheson, Downs, Nighswander, and Sabbow.

Chairman Hanson opened the meeting by stating that where we did not have a quorum, we would proceed with Gunstock Area Commissioners interviews until such time as we had a quorum, at which time we would come out of Executive Session and take up the Commissioners agenda. After completing the Commissioners' agenda, we would then return to Executive Session for the rest of the interviews.

Chairman Hanson then outlined the procedure to be used in the interviewing sessions and called on the delegation for a motion to go into Executive Session. Rep. Mansfield so moved, Rep. Beard seconded, motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The first candidate to be interviewed was Mr. Phillippe Arel.

Mrs. Elizabeth Baker was the next candidate to be interviewed.

Chairman Hanson called for a motion to go out of Executive Session where a quorum had finally arrived. Motion made by Rep. Beard, seconded by Rep. Downs, motion carried.

OPEN SESSION

Chairman Hanson moved to the agenda submitted by the County Commissioners on October 17, 1979, item 1: The sheriff is requesting authority to apply for a communications grant. Rep. Beard moved that the delegation grant the sheriff's request, seconded by Rep. Keith. Chairman Hanson commented that the grant was for \$1,000. that had already been received by the Sheriff's department and that authority to accept this was needed. Reps. Dionne and Nighswander questioned.

Chairman Hanson restated the motion as follows: Moved that the Sheriff is hereby granted authority to apply for a communications grant in an amount not to exceed \$1,000. expenditure of such money shall be authorized only upon the written acceptance of the grant by the granting authority. Chairman Hanson called for the motion and it carried unanimously.

Chairman Hanson moved on to item 2 "Line item transfers in the Jail and House of Corrections relative to the maintenance, fuel and telephone accounts which are low." These accounts are to be supplemented by way of transfer of \$3,000. from the 1600:5100 residents food account. Rep. Dionne discussed. Commissioner Marsh discussed. Rep. Nighswander moved that \$3,000. be transferred from the 1600:5100 resident food account, motion seconded by Rep. Beard, motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Hanson opened discussion on item 3 that up to \$400. be appropriated to repair the front steps of the courthouse. Rep. Beard questioned. Rep. Nighswander commented. Rep. Mansfield questioned. Rep. Dionne moved that the Commissioners be authorized to spend up to \$400. to repair the front steps of the courthouse, and that the money be taken from the capital reserve fund. Rep. Nighswander seconded the motion, the motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Hanson opened discussion on item 4 that the delegation

review the situation relative to the medical referee (material attached). Chairman Hanson stated that there was less than \$300. in the account with another bill of \$700. due. The subject was discussed by Commissioner Marsh. Rep. Nighswander requested more time for consideration and then discussed the subject in detail. Rep. Nighswander moved that the current bills be paid and that the Chairman appoint a committee to look into the matter. Rep. Downs seconded the motion, motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Hanson omitted item 5, the Dudley contract and moved on to item 6, a bill received from Buck Associates in the amount of \$1,031. relative to the retirement issue. Commissioner Chertok discussed the subject. Commissioner Marsh discussed the subject. Rep. Beard moved to send the matter to the County Attorney and let the delegation take it up at a later date following an opinion from the County Attorney. Rep. Sabbow seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Hanson called for a motion to adjourn to Executive Session. Rep. Nighswander made the motion, seconded by Rep. Dionne, motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Hanson called for Mr. Russell M. Brown.

Peter Graham was the next applicant to be interviewed.

Mr. Marten N. Heine was the next interviewed.

Mr. Roy R. Kincade was next interviewed.

Mr. C. William H. Lowth, Jr. was next interviewed.

Mr. Stephen H. Nedeau was next interviewed.

Finally Mr. Marion C. Rich was the last interviewed.

On balloting within the delegation, Mr. C. William H. Lowth was elected a Gunstock Area Commissioner for the five year term, and Mr. Roy R. Kincade was elected a Gunstock Area Commissioner for the three year term.

Chairman Hanson adjourned the meeting at 10:10 P.M.

CLIFFORD W. BIRCH, Clerk



Belknap County Commissioners being sworn in on January 2, 1979 by Robert Tilton, Clerk of Belknap County Superior Court are: (left to right) Edwin I. Chertok of Laconia, Norman C. Marsh of Belmont and Bradbury E. Sprague of Meredith.

Citizen Photo

Report of the County Commissioners

TO THE CITIZENS OF BELKNAP COUNTY:

The Board of Commissioners, sworn in on January 2, 1979, brought new ideas and objectives to the purpose of County government. If 1978 was a year of "beginnings," 1979 was certaining a year of "completion."

Among the projects completed is the new addition to the Belknap County Jail which opened in February of this year. The new addition offers a much needed detention facility for female and youthful offenders.

Various other improvements have been brought about to improve the Belknap County Facilities, especially the Home. Plans are now underway to revive the county farm which will help to subsidize food purchases for the Home and Jail.

1979 also saw the successful completion of the first State Employee Association negotiations which offered a six percent cost of living increase to county employees along with a number of other benefits. The negotiations also brought about a more uniform benefit package for all county employees.

As a result of legislative action, Belknap County employees now enjoy the security of eligibility to an unemployment compensation program. The Commissioners have contracted with the New Hampshire Municipal Association Unemployment Compensation Fund to provide this service.

December saw the resignation of the Belknap County Financial Coordinator, Gerald MacKissock, who is transferring his talents to private industry. The Commissioners wish him much success in his new venture. From a large number of qualified applicants Mr. Mortimer J. Donahue of Campton was hired to fill the position. Mr. Donahue will be installed in the Commissioners offices effective January 1, after resigning from his present position as Finance Director for the town of Salem, New Hampshire.

The Commissioners would like to thank all the Belknap County officers

and employees for their continuing efforts to provide excellent service to the citizens of Belknap County and to the people of Belknap County for their continuing support to attain our mutual goals.

Sincerely,

BRADBURY E. SPRAGUE, Chairman
EDWIN I. CHERTOK, Vice Chairman
NORMAN C. MARSH, Clerk

Belknap County Commissioners

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BELKNAP COUNTY
Unaudited
Balance Sheet of the General Fund
As of December 31, 1979 and 1978

ASSETS	1979	1978
Cash in Bank	\$101,330.32	\$ 4,837.41
Taxes due from towns and city	none	none
Accounts Receivable	36,602.13	51,107.35
Due from Anti-recession Fund	500.00	500.00
Cash - Payroll Account	100.00	100.00
Due from Revenue Sharing Fund	none	none
Prepaid Expense	710.67	
Total Assets	\$139,243.02	\$56,544.76
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE		
<i>Liabilities:</i>		
Tax anticipation notes payable	\$ none	\$ none
Accounts payable	202,545.94	17,837.74
Due Antirecession Fund	none	none
Accrued and withheld payroll taxes	9,669.94	8,254.13
Accrued and withheld retirement	4,308.17	11,939.46
Other withholdings	429.83	455.88
Accrued payroll	5,967.05	5,431.82
Total Liabilities	\$222,920.93	\$ 43,919.03
<i>Fund Balance:</i>		
Reserved for encumbrances	none	none
Reserved, appropriated Fund Balance	(83,677.91)	12,625.73
Total Fund Balance	(83,677.91)	12,625.73
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$139,243.02	\$ 56,544.76

EXHIBIT B
Analysis of Changes in Fund Balance of the General Fund
for the Years Ended December 31, 1979 and 1978

	1979	1978
FUND BALANCE, January 1	\$ 12,625.73	\$104,106.82
DEDUCT:		
Funds used to reduce tax assessment	12,625.73	104,106.82
ADD:		
Excess of realized revenue over budgeted revenue (Schedule B-1)	8,302.11	8,827.40
Excess of budgeted appropriations over incurred expenditures (Schedule B-2)		3,798.33
Excess of incurred expenditures over budgeted appropriations	91,970.02	
FUND BALANCE, December 31	\$ (83,667.91)	\$ 12,625.73

SCHEDULE B-1

Statement of Budgeted Revenue and Realized Revenue
for the Years Ended December 31, 1979 and 1978 Actual

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Budgeted	Realized	Excess (Deficiency)	Actual Prior Year
Taxes from Towns and City	\$2,111,759.85	\$2,111,760.00	\$.15	\$1,821,150.00
Office Rents	7,515.00	7,515.00		4,320.00
Miscellaneous	1,000.00	4,493.26	3,493.26	1,764.95
Fees - Clerk of Court	60,000.00	42,737.28	(17,262.72)	54,880.15
Fees - Register of Deeds	140,000.00	133,824.23	(6,175.77)	138,370.51
Fees - Sheriff Department	19,000.00	28,456.93	9,456.93	19,839.57
Fees - Fire Dispatch	40,614.00	40,614.48	.48	37,640.81
Sheriff's Patrol - Gilmanton	30,300.00	30,300.00		28,300.00
Income - Temporary Investments	30,000.00	54,681.20	24,681.20	33,477.42
Income - Old Age Assistance	500.00	813.35	313.35	150.00
Income - Direct Relief	1,000.00	1,286.08	286.08	861.35
Income - Insurance Refunds				
Grants	3,800.00	4,725.81	925.81	2,906.30
Cruiser - Trade-in	3,875.00	2,570.00	(1,305.00)	1,600.00
Breathalyzer Income	800.00		(800.00)	495.00
Special Duty Income	3,000.00	9,569.36	6,569.36	2,856.25
Gasoline Sales Outside Agencies	6,500.00	1,728.83	(4,771.17)	4,945.32
Gasoline Sales Tax Refund	4,000.00	1,711.43	(2,288.57)	3,979.52
Contingent Items	6,000.00		(6,000.00)	3,299.92
Interest on Late Taxes		1,174.72	1,174.72	
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	\$2,469,663.85	\$2,477,965.96		\$2,160,837.07
Net Excess of Realized Revenue Over Budgeted Revenue			\$ 8,302.11	

SCHEDULE B-2
Statement of Appropriations and Incumbered Expenditures
for the Year Ended December 31, 1979 and 1978 Actual

<i>Appropriation Items</i>	Budgeted	Actual	Excess (Deficit)	Actual 1978
Administration				
Commissioners Office	\$ 64,214.20	\$ 68,973.36	\$ (4,759.16)	\$ 55,352.38
County Attorney's Office	35,669.60	34,793.42	876.18	36,387.66
Treasurer	1,500.00	1,500.00		1,500.00
Auditors	5,000.00	5,000.00		4,586.00
Register of Deeds	105,717.86	96,024.12	9,693.74	88,415.47
Register of Probate	5,312.00	7,115.78	(1,803.78)	4,545.57
Medical Referees	4,500.00	6,164.16	(1,664.16)	2,251.24
Sheriff's Department	350,252.40	394,015.10	43,762.70	322,804.51
Court House Maintenance	105,219.80	87,293.12	17,926.68	85,982.53
Superior Court	290,878.00	285,386.55	5,491.45	272,971.71
General Welfare	325,500.00	458,488.53	(132,988.53)	228,240.13
County Nursing Home Net (Note 1)	457,939.00	388,032.00	69,907.00	367,865.55
Jail & House of Correction Net (Note 2)	354,724.72	299,968.00	54,756.72	293,763.14
Extension Service	60,537.00	60,537.00		57,841.94
Soil Conservation Service	4,368.00	4,368.00		3,744.00
Airport Authority	15,000.00	15,000.00		15,000.00
Interest-Loans In				
Anticipation of Taxes	40,000.00	87,443.03	(47,443.03)	54,716.23
Interest-Notes Addition to Jail	4,375.00	4,375.00		5,437.50
Interest-Bond Issue County Home	2,240.00	2,240.00		2,720.00
Interest-Bond Issue Court House	59,075.00	59,075.00		62,550.00
Principle - Notes				25,000.00
Principle - Bond Issue				65,000.00
Delegation Expense	10,000.00	5,349.72	4,650.28	5,415.00
Lakes Region Fire Dispatch	123,955.00	123,955.00		121,371.00
Lakes Region Mental Health	38,000.00	38,000.00		37,999.95
Meals On Wheels	13,812.00	13,800.00	12.00	12,556.00
County Share - Retirement				
County Share - Social Security and Blue Cross				
Contingency Items		25,214.72	(25,214.71)	18,300.65
Legal Fees Labor	4,500.00	2,158.00	2,342.00	
	\$2,482,289.58	\$2,574,269.60		\$2,252,318.16
<i>Net Excess of Budgeted Appropriations Over Incurred Expenses</i>			(91,980.02)	

**Statement of Appropriations and Incurred Expenditures
for the Year Ended December 31, 1979 and 1978**

NOTE 1: The Net Amount of \$457,959.00 Represents the Anticipated Deficit:

Gross Appropriation for Expense	\$1,334,674.08
Less Budgeted Revenue	876,715.08
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Net to be Financed from the General Fund	\$ 457,959.00

NOTE 2: The Net Amount of \$354,724.72 Represents the Anticipated Deficit:

Gross Appropriation for Expense	\$ 358,724.76
Less Budgeted Revenue	4,000.04
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Net to be Financed from General Fund	\$ 354,724.72

NOTE 3: For purposes of departmental costing expense items: Social Security, Retirement and Blue Cross have been posted to the department to which they pertain. The 1979 budget items have been treated in like manner.

EXHIBIT C
Balance Sheet of the Capital Reserve Fund
As of December 31, 1979 and 1978

<i>ASSETS</i>	1979	1978
Cash Bank		
Regular Account (Gunstock Area 10 pc)	\$36,584.43	\$33,750.68
County Home Account	688.02	649.23
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Total	\$37,272.45	\$34,399.91
<i>FUND BALANCE</i>		
Fund Balance		
Gunstock Fund:		
Encumbered	\$ 3,639.41	\$ none
Unencumbered	32,954.02	33,750.68
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Total	36,584.43	33,750.68
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County Home Fund:		
Encumbered	654.32	33.70
Unencumbered	33.70	615.53
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Total	688.02	649.23
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Total Fund Balance	\$37,272.45	\$34,399.91
Analysis of Changes in the Capital Reserve Fund		
For the Year Ended December 31, 1979		
Balance January 1	\$34,399.91	\$21,312.38
Add:		
Receipts from Gunstock Recreation		
Area (10 pc of Net Income)	19,187.36	13,149.65
Donations	-0-	500.00
Interest on Invested Funds	2,616.77	1,703.38
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	56,204.04	36,665.41
Deduct: Expenditures		
Physical Therapy Equipment		1,799.20
Office Furnishings - Physical Therapy		466.30
Nurses Call System	13,661.35	
Engineering Study	2,215.00	
Classroom Wall	1,993.24	
Albert P. Stock	812.00	
Office Equipment	250.00	
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	18,931.59	2,265.50
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Balance December 31	\$37,252.65	\$34,399.91

EXHIBIT D
Balance Sheet of the Federal Revenue Sharing Trust Fund
As of December 31, 1979 and 1978

ASSETS	1979	1978
Cash in Bank	\$218,533.23	\$258,915.45
Accounts Receivable	46,995.00	36,087.00
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	\$265,528.23	\$295,002.45
 LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE		
Accounts Payable	\$ 1,141.15	-0-
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Fund Balances:		
Appropriated	\$ 29,827.27	\$ 53,401.66
Unappropriated	234,539.81	241,600.79
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Total Fund Balances	\$265,528.23	\$295,002.45

Analysis of Changes in the Federal Revenue Sharing Trust Fund
For the Year Ending December 31, 1979

<i>Balance, January 1</i>	\$295,002.45	\$300,184.50
Add		
Revenue Sharing Funds Received	155,258.00	166,056.00
Interest Earned on Investments	24,373.90	15,278.62
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Deduct		
Expended for Capital Outlay (Schedule G-3)	210,247.27	186,516.67
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Balance, December 31	\$264,387.08	\$295,002.45

SCHEDULE D-1
Statement of Revenue Expenditures and Appropriations
From Program Inception to December 31, 1979

Entitle- ment Period	End of 24 Months Date	Revenue Allocated To Period	Interest Earned In Period	Total Revenue & Interest	Allocated Expen- ditures	Unex- pended 12-31-79	Appro- priation Changes	Unappro- priated Amounts 12-31-79
1st Entitlement Period								
1-01-72 to 6-30-72	12-31-74	\$ 42,978.00	\$ none	\$ 42,978.00	\$ 42,978.00	\$ none	\$	\$ none
2nd Entitlement Period								
7-01-72 to 12-31-72	12-31-74	41,242.00	none	41,242.00	41,242.00	none		none
3rd Entitlement Period								
1-01-73 to 6-30-73	6-30-75	50,562.00	2,118.94	52,680.94	52,680.94	none		none
4th Entitlement Period								
7-01-73 to 6-30-74	6-30-76	100,406.00	11,009.09	111,415.09	111,415.09	none		none
5th Entitlement Period								
7-01-74 to 6-30-75	6-30-77	133,232.00	9,694.87	142,926.87	142,926.87	none		none
6th Entitlement Period								
7-01-75 to 6-30-76	6-30-78	122,646.00	13,558.87	136,204.87	136,204.87	none		none
7th Entitlement Period								
7-01-76 to 12-31-76	12-31-78	72,576.00	3,825.55	76,401.55	76,401.55	none		none
8th Entitlement Period								
1-01-77 to 9-30-77	9-30-79	105,148.00	7,624.73	112,772.73	112,772.73	none		none
9th Entitlement Period								
10-01-77 to 9-30-78	9-30-80	173,291.00	13,702.90	186,993.90	143,369.91	43,623.99	29,827.27	13,796.72
10th Entitlement Period								
10-01-78 to 9-30-79	9-30-81	144,350.00	23,667.22	168,017.22	none	168,017.22	none	168,017.22
11th Entitlement Period								
10-01-79 to 9-30-80	12-31-82	146,995.00	5,750.87	52,745.87	none	52,745.87	none	52,745.87
		<u>\$1,033,426.00</u>	<u>\$ 90,953.04</u>	<u>\$1,124,379.07</u>	<u>\$ 859,991.96</u>	<u>\$ 264,387.08</u>	<u>\$ 29,827.27</u>	<u>\$ 234,559.81</u>

SCHEDULE D-2
Statement of Revenue Expenditures and Appropriations
From Program Inception to December 31, 1979

EXPENDED:

Calendar Year 1973	\$ 31,254.40
Calendar Year 1974	137,239.80
Calendar Year 1975	5,774.97
Calendar Year 1976	220,848.52
Calendar Year 1977	68,110.33
Calendar Year 1978	186,516.67
Calendar Year 1979	210,747.27
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Total Schedule G-3	\$859,991.96

APPROPRIATIONS BY DELEGATION FOR:

Court House Improvements	\$ 24,151.48
Court House Improvements-77	57,442.18
Court House Repairs-79	2,000.00
Court House Boiler Conversion-79	4,000.00
County Home, Sheriff-77	58,847.88
County Home Whirlpool & Bather-78	3,730.00
County Home, Register of Deeds and Save the Mill-77	67,755.00
County Home Equipment-79	21,475.00
County Home Master Plan Study-79	3,000.00
County Home Paving-79	4,000.00
County Home Chimney Repair-79	1,000.00
County Jail - E.D.A. Project Supplement-78	55,000.00
County Jail - Equipment-79	5,000.00
County Jail - Furnishings	4,000.00
County Debt - Principal Payments-79	90,000.00
County Sheriff's Department-79	16,172.00
County Unemployment Compensation-79	12,000.00
County Register of Deeds copier-79	10,165.00
Laconia Airport Authority-78	16,300.00
Laconia Airport Authority-79	8,000.00
Twin Rivers Human Services-78	8,460.00
Twin Rivers Human Services-79	7,500.00
Lakes Region Family Planning-79	4,703.00
Winnisquam Fire Department	10,000.00

\$494,701.54**LESS ALLOCATED EXPENSE**

464,874.27

APPROPRIATION CHANGES

\$ 29,827.27

SCHEDULE D-3
Federal Revenue Sharing Turst Fund
Classification of Expenditures for Years 1973, 1974,
1975, 1976, 1977, 1978, 1979

Year 1973:

County Nursing Home and Jail:	
Auto for Jail superintendent	\$ 3,069.70
Pick-up truck — County Home	5,325.00
¾ ton truck — County Home	6,398.90
Washer and dryer — County Home	8,000.00
Court House Improvement Project:	
Appraisal	300.00
Heating system improvements	6,650.00
General:	
Copy Machine - Commissioners office	1,374.00
Publishing costs	136.80
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	\$ 31,254.40

Year 1974:

Court House Improvement Project:	
Space studies	1,500.00
Appraisals	500.00
Property acquisitions	129,478.55
Survey work	3,626.25
Soil borings	700.00
Heating system improvements	1,371.80
General:	
Publishing costs	28.20
ORS handbook	35.00
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	137,239.80

Year 1975:

Court House Improvement Project:	
Cabinets - Fire Dispatch Center	2,175.97
Carpeting	1,949.00
Wrecking services	1,650.00
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	5,774.97

Year 1976:

Court House Improvement Project:	
Bonnette, Page & Stone, Contractors	122,263.06
Dudley, Walsh & Moyer, Architects	8,864.00
Therian Roofing, repairs to roof	12,723.30
Mister Carpet, carpeting	1,761.40

Smith Office Equipment, office furniture	43,811.00
Howard Stone, painting	108.55
General repairs	10,107.48
John Grant, Clerk of Works	3,840.00
Kenneth Nutter Construction, sand & gravel fill	410.00
Chertoks, interior decorations	2,470.00
Warren Spears, tearing down old buildings	800.00
G.H. Fletcher, interior signs	400.00
Dymant and Hovey, interior decorations	1,120.00
Caswell & Sons, duct work	3,223.16
Office Dimensions, office furniture	512.62
T.A. Hall, furnishings	1,423.00
Monahan Landscaping, landscaping	2,045.50
Harris Wayside, carpeting	3,920.35
C.C. Rogers Co., furnishings	702.10
Rowland Picture Framing, interior decorating	343.00

 220,848.52

Year 1977:

Court House Improvement Project:

Bonnette, Page & Stone, Contractors	40,737.19
Dudley, Walsh & Moyer, Architects	9,038.00
Upton, Sanders and Smith, Attorneys	4,321.13
Robert T. Bishop, shelves	3,370.00
Caswell & Sons, blower and exhaust	1,210.25
Furnishings	521.96

Sheriff Department:

Motorola, Inc. - communications equipment	8,137.80
I.B.M., typewriter	774.00

 68,110.33

Year 1978:

Additions to Court House	15,178.48
Equipment - Belknap County Home	45,190.00
Research Committee - County Home	7,533.00
Belknap Mill Society	15,000.00
Reader-Printer, Register of Deeds	8,657.88
Emergency Generator, County Home	41,755.00
E.D.A. Grant Supplement Belknap	24,712.31
Twin Rivers Human Services	8,460.00
Bather-Whirlpool, County Home	3,730.00
Laconia Airport Authority	16,300.00

 186,516.67

Year 1979:

Additions to Court House	3,099.78
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Research Committee, County Home	1,506.60
Supplement to E.D.A. Grant, County Jail	27,644.85
Furnishings, Belknap County Jail	4,000.00
Equipment - Sheriff's Department	15,907.84
Equipment - County Home	20,833.50
Equipment - County Jail	4,966.75
Debt Repayment	90,000.00
Twin Rivers Human Services	7,500.00
Xerox Copier - Register of Deeds	8,182.83
Laconia Airport Authority	8,000.00
Master Plan Study - County Home	2,000.00
County Home Paving	4,000.00
Chimney Repair, County Home	200.00
Unemployment Compensation	10,535.96
Miscellaneous Repairs - County Court House	1,869.16

210,247.27

\$859,991.96

EXHIBIT E
Balance Sheet of the Federal Anti-Recession Trust Fund
As of December 31, 1979 and 1978

ASSETS	1979	1978
Cash in Bank	\$1,571.74	\$4,953.70
<i>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE</i>		
Liabilities:		
Accounts Payable - General Fund	500.00	500.00
Fund Balance:		
Encumbered (Schedule E-1)	773.97	4,282.40
Unencumbered (Schedule E-a)	297.77	171.30
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Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$1,571.74	\$4,953.70

Analysis of Changes in Federal Anti Recession Trust Fund
For the Year Ended December 31, 1979

Balance, January 1	\$4,953.70	\$6,352.02
Add:		
Anti-Recession Funds Received		2,430.00
Interest on Investment	126.47	306.23
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Deduct: Expenditures		
(a) Court House, Capital Outlay		
(b) Fire Dispatch, Subsidy		
(c) Sheriff's Radio Equipment		1,775.00
(d) Sheriff's TV Equipment	1,733.95	
(e) Gas Pump - County Home		2,044.00
(f) Retirement of Inter-Fund Debt		315.55
(g) County Jail Equipment	1,774.48	
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Balance, December 31	\$1,571.74	\$4,953.70

SCHEDULE E-1
Federal Anti-Recession Trust Fund
Statement of Revenue Expenditures and Appropriations
From Program Inception to December 31, 1979

Date of Receipt	End Of 6 Months Date	Revenue Received	Interest Earned	Total Revenue & Interest	Allocated Expenditures	Unexpended 12-31-79	Appropriation Charges	Unappropriated Amounts 12-31-79	A-P G-F
November 24, 1976	4-24-77	\$ 3,062.00	\$ 15.69	\$ 3,077.69	\$ 3,077.69	\$ none	\$ none	\$ none	
April 18, 1977	10-18-77	2,762.00	87.24	2,849.24	2,849.24	none	none	none	
July 8, 1977	1-08-78	10,830.00	149.59	10,979.59	10,979.59	none	none	none	
October 11, 1977	4-11-78	2,879.00	50.58	2,929.58	2,429.58	500.00	none	none	\$500.00
April 11, 1978	10-11-78	2,430.00	306.23	2,736.23	1,790.96	945.27	773.97	171.30	
October 11, 1978	4-11-79	none	69.03	69.03	none	69.03	none	69.03	
April 11, 1979	10-11-79	none	57.44	57.44	none	57.44	none	57.44	
		\$21,963.00	\$ 735.80	\$22,698.80	\$21,127.06	\$ 1,571.74	\$ 773.97	\$ 297.77	\$ 500.00

CALENDAR YEAR - 1977

- (a) Miscellaneous Building Expenses \$ 2,654.08
- (b) Lakes Region Fire Dispatch 10,830.00

CALENDAR YEAR - 1978

- (a) Sheriff's Radio Equipment 1,775.00
- (b) Gas Pump - County Home 2,044.00
- (c) Miscellaneous Court House Expenses 315.55

CALENDAR YEAR - 1979

- (a) Sheriff's TV Equipment 1,733.95
- (b) County Jail Equipment 1,774.48

\$21,127.06

APPROPRIATIONS BY DELEGATION FOR:

Miscellaneous Building Expense

\$ 3,335.55

Fire Dispatch 9-77
 Sheriff's Radio Equipment 6-12-78
 Sheriff's TV Equipment 6-12-78
 County Jail Equipment 6-12-78
 Gas Pump County Home 1-30-78

10,830.00
 1,907.00
 2,000.00
 1,774.48
 2,054.00

\$21,901.03
 27,127.06

LESS ALLOCATED EXPENDITURES

APPROPRIATED CHARGES

\$ 773.97

EXHIBIT G
Statement of Long Term Indebtedness
As of December 31, 1979 and 1978

	1979	1978
Debt Balance, January 1:		
Payment thereon to be provided from future General Fund Taxation Revenue	\$1,020,000.00	\$1,110,000.00
1. Bond Issue Dated November 1, 1964, Original amount \$280,000.00, interest rate 3.20 percent, proceeds used for new wing at County Home:		
Principal Balance due January 1	\$ 70,000.00	\$ 85,000.00
Principal Paid	15,000.00	15,000.00
Principal Balance Due December 31	\$ 55,000.00	\$ 70,000.00
2. Bond Issue, dated August 1, 1975, Original amount \$1,000,000.00, Interest rate 6.95 percent, proceeds for Court House Improvement Project:		
Principal Balance due January 1	\$ 850,000.00	\$ 900,000.00
Principal Paid	50,000.00	50,000.00
Principal Balance due December 31	\$ 800,000.00	\$ 850,000.00
3. Long term notes, dated September 5, 1972, Original amount \$234,950.00, Interest rates 3.80 pc, 4.25 pc, 4.50 pc, Proceeds used for addition to Jail:		
Principal Balance due January 1	\$1,000,000.00	\$1,250,000.00
Principal Paid	25,000.00	25,000.00
Principal Balance due December 31	\$ 975,000.00	\$1,000,000.00
<i>Total Debt Balance December 31</i>	<i>\$ 930,000.00</i>	<i>\$1,020,000.00</i>

Footnotes to the Financial Statements, December 31, 1979**1. Unappropriated General Fund Balance**

Year end balances, to the extent over-expended, are to be funded from subsequent years revenues.

2. Indebtedness:

Exhibit G reflects Long-term indebtedness of Belknap County for direct and primary liability which is retired from Appropriated General Fund Resources. Under the Act providing for the creation of the Gunstock Area Commission, Serial Notes or Bonds of such Commission shall be considered to be pledged of the full faith and credit of the County of Belknap.

3. Executive Committee Appropriations (Emergency Appropriations)

The County Commissioners acting in accordance with N.H.R.S.A. 24:15 and in need of emergency funding for items of expense not appropriated, applied to the Belknap County Executive Committee to appropriate the needed funds. The following is a summary of those appropriations:

Date	Reason	Amount
June 18	Prisoner Extradition	\$ 5,000.00
	Used Cruiser	3,000.00
	CLH Proposal	2,500.00
	Parental rights case	4,214.50
Aug. 20	Accounting Assistance	6,890.00
Dec. 27	Old Age Assistance	145,936.58
	Medical Referee's Costs	1,700.00
	Commissioners, County Report	2,656.00
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		\$171,897.08

Respectfully submitted,

Mortimer J. Donahue
Finance Director

A Proclamation

WHEREAS, Belknap County youth, 4-H leaders, parents, civic leaders and businessmen are participating in the 36th Annual Belknap County 4-H Fair by promoting agriculture, forestry, home economics, youth development and better living in Belknap County; and

WHEREAS 4-H is the youth education department of the Cooperative Extension Service, University of New Hampshire, with clubs organized on the local levels by the 4-H Youth Development Agent and Volunteer Leaders; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Belknap County 4-H Youth Development Program is to provide opportunities for young people between the ages of 8 and 19 to have fun together, learn by doing new things, visit new places and make new friends; and

WHEREAS, the Belknap County 4-H Fair affords a place for members to display results of their newly learned skills and endeavors; and

WHEREAS, time and talents of 4-H leaders and parents are shared with youngsters in their community by providing support, interest, and enthusiasm for 4-H work.

NOW, THEREFORE, we, BRADBURY E. SPRAGUE, NORMAN C. MARSH, and EDWIN I. CHERTOK, Commissioners for the County of Belknap, New Hampshire, do declare and proclaim that the Belknap County 4-H Fair, to be held August 18th and 19th, 1979, be recognized as the official Belknap County Fair and urge all those who are interested to attend the fair at the 4-H Center in Belmont.

We do, hereby, set our hands and cause the Seal of the County of Belknap, New Hampshire, to be affixed this 13th day of August in the year of our Lord, A.D., Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-nine and in the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Third.

Bradbury E. Sprague
Norman C. Marsh
Edwin I. Chertok

Belknap County Commissioners

Belknap County Nursing Home

To the Honorable Commissioners of Belknap County:

I submit my annual report with great pleasure. The keynote for 1979 was progress, and I believe the result was success. The program is measured as follows: a new communication system was installed for patient-call service; room 36 was remodeled to meet resident needs; new chairs were introduced in the dining area; new equipment, including wheel chairs, was purchased to provide better care and service to our residents; a full-time Physical Therapist was hired and this has served to promote patient motivation, health and general well-being; outside laundry service was initiated to provide increased linen availability and promote cost containment. These are only some of the steps taken on the road of progress, many others were also recorded.

What has made 1979 all the more successful is the fact that all the progress was accomplished while expending eighty thousand dollars less than the planned budget, while revenues were over thirty thousand dollars higher than anticipated. The success, therefore, has registered favorably not only with the residents, but also with all of us working on cost containment.

Looking ahead to future steps on our progress-road, the outlook is bright. Studies have been completed for improving our heating plant; for insulating the facility for comfort, efficiency and cost reduction; and for providing additional resident services.

The improvements recorded, and those yet to take place, would not be possible without dedicated nursing home personnel, a supportive Board of Commissioners and a concerned County Delegation. The successes achieved clearly indicate that all these elements are present.

I am especially appreciative for the counsel, guidance, and cooperative support provided by Commissioners Bradbury Sprague, Edwin Chertok, and Norman Marsh. Additionally, I wish to thank the physicians, the clergymen, community businesses, fraternal organizations and private individuals who shared time and provided our residents with service, attention and love.

With the help of all, the Belknap County Nursing Home is able, and very pleased to serve our communities by caring for people with people who care.

Sincerely,

Richard J. Hamel
Administrator

Belknap County Jail

To the Honorable Commissioners of Belknap County:

The following report of activities at the Belknap County Jail and House of Correction is submitted.

The House of Correction and Jail continue to house a very diverse population.

Adult Males 785
Adult Females 113

Male Juvenile 55
Female Juvenile 9

In addition with deinstitutionalization, we continue to carry a burden of handling chronic institutionalized persons from the Laconia State School and New Hampshire Hospital. In the case of the insane person, a more active Mental Health Center has provided the community with another needed resource. However, this has only lessened and certainly not eliminated our role in holding several of these people each year for the community.

The annual figures indicate that the average age of our inmates has increase two years from twenty-four to twenty-six years old. This factor, along with a finding of a higher percentage of jail inmates with serious felony charges indicates a more serious, harder core element is being housed here. The fact that we have a significantly higher population in the jail further complicates the job of running that facility. Previous reports have detailed the inadequacies of our present jail facility. These inadequacies in cell size, recreation and dining space must be faced in the coming months and years.

Our juvenile population has decreased slightly and the average age has increased. We are less likely now to receive a 13 or 14 year old in minor trouble in the community and more likely to receive the 16 or 17 year old who committed a serious offense. We see this as a positive trend and hope it continues.

Our rehabilitative programs continue to be an effective outlet for inmates who seek to change and improve themselves. January 3, 1980 we celebrated our 5th anniversary having a regular weekly A.A. Meeting. Attendance by 90 percent of the House of Correction is now common. Our program for attendance at A.A. Meetings in the community continues its

successful operation as well. Also, our efforts in Education, Counseling and Work Release continue to have a positive impact.

In January 1979, the new addition was opened for use. This facility has six maximum security and six minimum security cells to hold juvenile and female prisoners.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas N. Myatt
Superintendent

FACT SHEET
BELKNAP COUNTY HOUSE OF CORRECTION AND JAIL
Population 1979

House of Correction daily average	14.09
Jail daily average	15.55
Total Average	29.64
 Average Juvenile population daily	 3.32
Average female population daily	3.13
 Total sentenced	 93
Average number of days served	55.00
 Total Jailed	 1164
Average number of days served	4.86
 Total booked	 1167
 Days served in House of Correction	 5144
Days served in Jail	5678
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 Average age of Juvenile, male and female	 16.09
Average age of all males	26.40
Average age of all females	26.09
 Overall average	 26.37
 Average age of adult male and female	 27.10



Inspecting new radar equipment made possible by a grant from the New Hampshire Highway Safety Agency are: Deputy Robert Hilton, Lieutenant Robert Gilbert and Sheriff Don Alden.

Citizen Photo

Belknap County Sheriff's Department

1979 Annual Report

The past year has been an exceptionally busy one for this department, as the calls for service have increased drastically during 1979.

The Criminal Division has assisted the towns in the county on all types of investigations, including arson, burglaries, rapes, forgery, drugs, suicides, and attempted suicides. They have also been called upon by the Attorney General's Office as well as the County Attorney's Office to investigate so-called white-collar crimes such as embezzlement, improper business practices, etc.

In July of 1979 a patrolman, who had prior training, was assigned extra work as a Juvenile Officer. He was given the opportunity to further his education just prior to his appointment. During the period from July to December, 1979 he handled 51 referrals from seven towns, and he did an excellent job.

The Investigator-Polygraph Operator had a very busy schedule, as a total of 102 tests were completed for the towns in the county during 1979, using 650 hours for this purpose.

The civil department had an increase of nearly 400 writs over 1978, and because of the extra work load another man had to be assigned on a part-time basis.

The patrol deputies are filling a highly important roll in Belknap County by assisting the towns, at their request, for service calls as well as preliminary investigations on camp breaks, making business checks, as well as covering towns due to lack of personnel due to sickness or resignations.

A big step was made this past year by installing new radio equipment at the top of Belknap Mountain, which has increased the reception for communications. This program could not have been accomplished without the much appreciated cooperation of the County Commissioners and the County Delegation, who made the money available for matching funds so that a grant could be obtained from the Governor's Commission on Crime and Delinquency.

Thanks to all who made their contribution to the Belknap County Sheriff's Department so that we were able to make all these programs work for better law enforcement in Belknap County.

Respectfully submitted.

Donald C. Alden
Sheriff

ADMINISTRATIVE

Category	1979
Telephone Calls	61,651
Radio Transmissions	321,004
Complaints	774
Complaints - Contract Area (Gilmanton & Gunstock Area)	499
Civil Writs Processed	2,531

PATROL

Allowing Unauthorized Person to Operate Unregistered Motor Vehicle	4
Allowing Uninspected M-V to be Operated	4
Driving While Intoxicated	35
Misuse of Plates	6
Operating After Suspension	13
Operating w-o Eye Protection	5
Operating w-o License	32
Operating OHRV on Public Way	7
Operating Uninspected M-V	88
Operating Unregistered M-V	27
Passing on Right	2
Reckless Operation	4
Red Light Violation	1
Speeding	360
Stop Sign Violation	1
Towing M-V w-o Tow Bar	1
Towing Trailer w-o Lights	2
Unsafe Tires	4
Yellow Line Violation	20
Failure to Yield	3

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Defective Exhaust	1
Operating Under Influence of Drugs	2

TRAFFIC & PATROL ACTIVITY

M-V Accidents Investigated	105
M-V Warnings	1,039
Departmental Assists	531
DE Tags Issued	315
Individual & Motorists Assists	24
M-V Checkups	373
Prisoner Transports	305
Relays	122
House, Business & Camp Checks	13,642

SERVICES — COURT RELATED

Apprehensions	
Total Arrests	207
Capias & Mittimus	49
Bench Warrants	23
Indictments	18

SERVICES — AID DEPARTMENT RELATED

Hours of Patrol	9,093
Hours of Reports	1,091
Hours of Investigation	3,923
Hours of Court Attendance	531
Hours of Polygraph	762

MISCELLANEOUS

Value of Property Stolen	\$35,005.09
Value of Property Recovered	\$30,364.38
Writ Fees Received	\$25,819.62
Contract Area	
Value of Property Stolen	\$29,815.00
Value of Property Recovered	\$21,031.45

COMPLAINTS INVESTIGATED

Animal Complaints	70
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Assault	7
Bad Checks	26
Burglaries	47
Burglar Alarms	28
Disturbances	16
Escapes	2
Escorts	27
Fires	20
Insecure Doors	12
Mental Case	1
Narcotic	11
Prowlers	4
Criminal Mischief	12
Forgery	2
Rape	1
Missing Persons	9
Snowmobile complaints	5
Stolen M-V Recovered	8
Suicides	1
Suicide Attempts	1
Suspicious M-V	20
Suspicious Persons	8
Theft	43
Trespass	20
Towed-Abandoned M-V	37
Unattended Death	4
Vandalism	20
Miscellaneous Complaints	173

* * The figures shown above do not reflect the Assists to other Departments.

Report of the County Attorney

To the Honorable Commissioners of Belknap County:

I hereby submit my report as Belknap County Attorney for 1979.

Criminal Matters

A total of 123 indictments were returned by the three Grand Juries and one Special Grand Jury convened in 1979 for the commission of the following felonies:

Aggravated Assault	13
Aggravated Felonious Sexual Assault	4
Arson	2
Attempted Aggravated Assault	2
Bribery	1
Burglary	34
Conspiracy to Commit Burglary	1
Deviate Sexual Relations	2
Embezzlement	1
Escape	3
Felonious Sexual Assault	1
Fire and Bomb Threats	1
Forgery	6
Issuing Bad Check	7
Kidnapping	1
Manufacturing Controlled Drug	1
Murder, 2nd degree	1
Negligent Homicide	2
Possession of Controlled Drug, 2nd Offense	2
Possession of Narcotic Drug	1
Possession of a Revolver by a Convicted Felon	1
Possession of Stolen Property	2
Reckless Operation, Death Resulting	1
Robbery	5
Sale of a Controlled Drug	11
Sale of a Narcotic Drug	5
Tampering With a Witness	3
Theft by Deception	1

Theft by Unauthorized Taking

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123

A total of 154 misdemeanor appeals from Municipal and District Courts were taken to the Superior Court.

In addition to representing the State of New Hampshire in Belknap County criminal matters, the Belknap County Attorney's Office during the past year was also responsible for initiating and managing cases before the Belknap County Superior Court involving the Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act. The Office also initiated all Habitual Offender Petitions in this County brought at the request of the Attorney General's Office. The County Attorney's Office also represented Belknap County civilly in the Laconia District Court, the Belknap County Superior Court and the Belknap County Probate Court and counselled with the County Commissioners regarding a variety of matters of legal consequence to the County.

Respectfully submitted,

Philip T. McLaughlin
Belknap County Attorney

Belknap County Welfare Coordinator's Report 1979

To the Honorable County Commissioners:

The year 1979 has shown a forty percent decrease in assistance issued to direct relief, soldiers aid, and care of children in comparison to the budgeted figures. Due to computerization of the State Welfare office, the availability of emergency food stamps, and a number of other factors, the term of assistance required by the recipient has been shortened thereby reduced the need for local assistance.

On the other hand, the cost of the county's share of assistance in state administered programs has risen sharply. Reasons for this increase is due to two factors; 1) The increased number of persons on State programs, 2) The late arrival, and subsequent 1979 payment of 1978, September, October, November and December billings, the funds having not been encumbered in 1978.

We extend our appreciation of the City Welfare office, for the supervision of the work program; the Community Action Program, for the efficient management of their assistance programs and to all the persons who donated their time and efforts to the assistance of the citizens of Belknap County.

Respectfully submitted,

JUDIE STANLEY
Coordinator of Welfare
Belknap County

Report of the Clerk of the Superior Court

To the Honorable Commissioners of Belknap County:

A year ago, the Clerk's Report noted an experiment in the scheduling of Issue to Court cases. That experiment has been completed and the Report submitted relative to that experiment follows:

"The scheduling of Issue to Court cases before a Superior Court Justice or Master followed a rather time honored procedure devised to keep the trier of facts busy.

The procedure was to schedule about twenty cases for trial each day that the Court was to hear "Issue" cases; the logic for this type of scheduling being that out of twenty cases there ought to be enough hearings to keep the Judge or Master busy for that day. This system worked quite well on some days; on other days the list might fold completely because of settlements, continuances, unavailability of counsel, parties or witnesses, and, as counsel well know, there are days when one of the earlier assigned cases will last one or two days, or even longer. As an example: if the No. 1 case assigned for a Monday was heard as scheduled, and lasted three days, then, obviously, fifty-nine cases were not reached. If, on each of those three days, the parties, lawyers and witnesses arrive in all twenty assigned cases, then, there has been an enormous waste of time and money. This situation was discussed with the late Chief Justice Keller who encouraged our undertaking a project which has been carried on with the support and cooperation of Chief Justice Loughlin and Chief Justice Dunfey.

Our goal was to eliminate this waste and confusion by improving the scheduling of cases. This has been accomplished by scheduling every issues case for a pre-trial conference before a Master. At such a conference the Master discussed with counsel and-or pre-se parties the nature of the case, problems with the case if any, motions pending and settlement possibilities. If the case is not disposed of at this conference then the case is assigned for trial on a definite date and at a particular time. The trial assignment date is made by the Master at the conference after counsel have had the opportunity to recommend a date and time when the Judge or Master will be available and for which date and time no other case has been scheduled.

On January 11, 1979 the first issues cases were scheduled for conference: twenty were scheduled in the morning and twenty in the afternoon.

The most recent civil case scheduled for that conference was entered into Court on March 10, 1978, while the most recent equity case scheduled was entered in June, 1978.

Through October 2, 1979 three hundred forty six issues cases have been scheduled for pre-trial conferences and of these one hundred eighty nine were scheduled for trial. The last pre-trial conferences were held on October 2, 1979 and assignments have been made for the trial of these cases before a Judge in November.

The next pre-trial conferences will be scheduled for November dates. There are now pending sixty six cases to be reviewed: the civil cases to be reviewed were entered into Court from May and into October, 1979, while the equity cases were entered from June to October, 1979, some having a return day of November, 1979.

The cost for Masters services, including marital Masters, for the first nine months of this year is: \$20,500.00 (approximately).

The basis elements of the system now in use in Belknap County provides:

a. The scheduling of fifteen cases for conference with the Master both at the morning and afternoon session of the Court.

b. Cases not ready for trial will be placed on a reasonable timetable for completion of trial preparation and a recommended date for a further pre-trial conference will be made.

c. Cases ready for trial will be assigned for trial for a definite date and time. These assignments, insofar as possible will be made at the convenience of the parties, witnesses and counsel, within the Master's or Court's availability.

d. No back-up case will be assigned unless either the primary or backup case has a high probability of settlement.

e. Continuances will not ordinarily be granted in cases scheduled for trial. Where continuances must be granted, assessments for the Master's fees and-or counsel fees are made if such charges are warranted.

This system has worked extremely well and has now been extended to Marital cases as well. Thus, no case is being scheduled in Belknap County

without first being pre-tried. Scheduling is realistic and parties and counsel have every reason to believe that their case will be heard as scheduled.

A considerable amount of work and experimenting has been expended in developing this system. Throughout most of the year Robert Carignan, Esquire of Rochester has been the Master developing this program in cooperation with the staff of the clerk's office. The scheduling has been accomplished largely through his realistic and successful evaluation of the cases and the time needed to try them. To him and to the staff, the Clerk extends his thanks for their interest, their work and their comments and suggestions through which the system has been developed."

This Court continues to be very active with Criminal trials being conducted in Courtroom 1, Civil jury trials in Courtroom 2 and Issues to Court cases being heard in Courtroom 3. One day a week, a Marital Master conducts hearings in Domestic Relation matters. For these hearings use is made of the fine Probate Courtroom through the courtesy and cooperation of the Registrar, Dorothea Conly and the Honorable Roger Burlingame, the Judge of that Court.

The Superior Court is constantly striving to maintain its high standards of justice while improving efficiency, and providing for the speedier disposition of cases. Towards this goal, word processing equipment is expected to be installed in the Superior Court for Belknap County and, hopefully, can be used in many areas to assist in the handling of the office work of the Court.

Two new procedures have been instituted by the Court: flat filing, and all pleadings to be filed on standard size paper. These two changes will, as time progresses, result in substantial savings to the Court and to those using the Court. As of the beginning of this calendar year the Superior Court is operating strictly on a cash basis insofar as payments to the Court are concerned. This change has been made to reduce the bookkeeping burden in the offices of the Clerks.

In Belknap County great progress has been made, and is being made to improve the administration of justice. Such progress could not be made without the cooperation of all concerned, including the County Commissioners and the members of the County Delegation.

For this cooperation, I am deeply grateful.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert P. Tilton

Belknap County Employment & Training Administration

To the Honorable Commissioners of Belknap County:

Over 570 Belknap citizens obtained jobs or skilled training through the services offered by Belknap County's Employment And Training Administration. BCETA is federally funded under the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act and made available to Belknap residents by the County Commissioners.

In its third year of operation beginning October 1, 1978 and ending September 30, 1979 BCETA has paid over \$800,000. in wages and training costs alone to Belknap County residents who participated in the various employment and training programs. The following is a list of programs offered under the auspices of the Belknap County Commissioners.

- a. On-the-job training for a particular skilled job in both private, profit making businesses and non-profit organizations.
- b. Public Service Employment in all levels of Government and non-profit organizations.
- c. Work Experience for persons now entering or returning to the labor market.
- d. Classroom training for developing or upgrading job skills.
- e. Summer Youth Employment for persons between the ages of 14 and 21.
- f. Winter Youth Employment for persons between the ages of 16 and 21 geared towards keeping the youth in school and working with High School Dropouts to return them to school or a skilled job.
- g. Public Service Work Projects which provides towns and nonprofit organizations with the necessary manpower to embark on tangible projects that could not otherwise be initiated.

Looking into the 80's we find that the CETA program is taking on

another form. Rather than acting as a temporary stop measure for high unemployment it now is gearing itself towards skill training programs developed for private industry. BCETA is anticipating to provide for 1980 meaningful and productive programs that will benefit our county.

Respectfully submitted,

A. Gary Ezzo
Executive Director

Report of the Gunstock Recreation Area

Belknap Country Commissioners
64 Court Street
Laconia, N.H. 03246

Dear Commissioners:

The use of facilities at the Gunstock Area depends upon the weather and the ability of people to reach the Area. It appears that both the weather and the gas situation acted adversely on Gunstock's 1979 operation.

On January 1st and 2nd it rained the entire time and the excellent snow was washed off the mountain. There was no appreciable snow until the end of January. The month of February saw this facility with twelve days of below zero weather, which kept skiers away. The ski season ended abruptly in Mid-March with warm weather and rain.

The summer season started with a gas shortage which prevented many visitors from traveling to the Lakes Region. After the shortage was over many people did not venture far from their homes during the remainder of the summer.

The fall was very mild and appeared to extend into late December. The year ended without any natural snow on the ground and few visitors to the Lakes Region.

Despite many problems during the year Gunstock continued to serve the residents of Belknap County with a variety of new free programs. During the winter a Special Olympics was held for handicapped people and in the summer the senior citizens had a seminar. The competitive swimming and summer recreation programs were expanded in order to provide more services for the youth of this county.

Over the past several years the jump complex has been rejuvenated and international certification obtained for the 70 meter jump. International events have been held on the jump over the past two seasons and Gunstock is now known throughout Europe. In recognition of this achievement the General Manager has been listed as a biographee by the International Biographical Center in Cambridge, England.

Very truly yours,
Gunstock Area
Ernest A. Hegi
General Manager

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Despite many problems during the year, the company continued to work for the benefit of the community. The company has a variety of social programs. During the year, a special program was held for handicapped people and for the elderly. The company also had a program for the elderly and for the handicapped. The company also had a program for the elderly and for the handicapped. The company also had a program for the elderly and for the handicapped.

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Very truly yours,
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Wishing best wishes to Gerald McKissock as he leaves the position of Financial Coordinator of Belknap County are: Commissioners Chertok and Sprague, Deputy Hickey, Mary Atwood and Ellen Fleming.

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